

Jamie's
Furniture Store
SOFAS
from £399
BEDS
from £65
BEAN BAGS
from £29
DINING TABLE
+ 4 CHAIRS
from £79
Thompson St, Barry.
Tel 01446 679256

The Barry GEM



"Your ORIGINAL priceless
weekly newspaper"

The Vale's
longest serving
Community
Newspaper

Established 1983

Butterflies
Cards,
Gifts & Yankee
Candles
74 High Street
Barry CF62 7DW
www.butterfliesgiftshop.co.uk
FREE gift wrapping
& same day delivery
in Barry
(Call before 5pm
& orders over £10)
07875 028825

Weekly audited distribution (52 weeks) to 31/12/10 - 41,621
(GEM Series). Audited by David Pinder & Co Ltd. Chartered Accountants.

www.barry-today.co.uk

THURSDAY, JUNE 7TH, 2012

KNAP TURNS OUT IN FORCE FOR ROYAL CELEBRATION

Picture by Jan Irving



ABOVE: One Jubilee street party that went ahead when the weather was at its best was at The Knap, Barry, and a fine turn-out of local residents enjoyed the day.
(See article below for details of more Jubilee events).



Joyous Jubilee!

WHEW... What a Jubilee party that was!

RAN Hire and Sales Ltd



- Mini Excavators & Dumpers
- Full Range of Building Equipment
- Ladders & Scaffold Towers
- Hire, Sales & Repair of Power Tools & Equipment
- Mower/Garden Equipment Service and Repair
- Bottled Gas & Air Product Cylinders

☎ 01446 737301
BROAD STREET, BARRY
HIRE ASSOCIATION MEMBER

Jubilee fever hits Barry and the Vale

THERE was so much happening in the Barry and Vale area over the Queen's Diamond Jubilee weekend that it was hard to keep track.

In fact, this week's GEM has Jubilee events on pages 4, 5, 18, 19 and 20, as local people celebrated Her Majesty's 60-year reign.

With beacons being lit along the coast from Penarth to Porthcawl, Monday night was a highlight for many people – particularly as Rob Brydon was below his Gavin and Stacey best as compere of the Jubilee concert!

There was, of course, an element of the 'luck of the draw' when it came to organising street parties.

Some went ahead in warm sunshine with clear skies, while others had to quickly revert to 'plan B' when the rain made an appearance.

The GEM is aware that many events are still to take place, and we expect to have more Jubilee news next week!

Safe and Stimulating Environments

Penarth, Barry, Victoria Park, Cardiff, Gwynedd, Carmarthen

St. Aubin Nurseries Ltd
Nurseries Ltd
Branch of school sites

Telephone: 029 2070 8112

St. Aubin nurseries are proud to announce that their Cowbridge Rd nursery has been voted the

NDNA NURSERY OF THE YEAR 2012 Wales

www.staubinnurseries.co.uk
Tel: 029 2070 8112

the businesscentre™
flexible serviced offices

At Your Service

Flexible Serviced Office space with a FREE on site Gym, cafe and relaxing break-out areas for just one monthly fee.

- ☐ One Low Monthly Office Fee
- ☐ High Speed IT & Telephones
- ☐ Free Parking
- ☐ Receptionist Services
- ☐ Free on site Gym, Cafe & Break-Out Areas
- ☐ 24 Hour Access 7 days a week
- ☐ Point of Contact to all your Clients

Creating the Right Impression

Tel: 0800 634 9920
Cardiff House, Cardiff Road, Barry, Vale of Glamorgan CF62 3AW
enquiries@thebusinesscentreonline.co.uk
www.TheBusinessCentreOnline.co.uk

Friend who will be sadly missed

I WAS sorry to hear of the sudden death of Coun Margaret Alexander of Barry, and extend to her partner and relatives, my sympathy in their loss.

Coun Alexander, a resident of Trinity Street, was a great support and encouragement to me as treasurer and previously secretary, of Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church, when our Minister and members were faced with a major challenge to upgrade our ageing buildings on a very difficult corner site.

We were pleased that she lived to see the completion of our new halls and witnessed a regener-

ation of this section of Trinity Street.

As recently as two weeks ago, she was continuing her efforts to ensure various community groups took advantage of the new modern facilities.

These were provided thanks to the generosity of our church members, and grants from the Presbyterian Church, Welsh Government, Vale Council and numerous charitable trusts.

Our friend will be greatly missed in the community of Barry and the Vale, and will be remembered for her unflinching concern to help her fellow citizens whenever possible.

W Haydn Burgess, Barry.

Scrap this noise level!

IS anyone else getting tired of those scrap dealer trucks with the loud-speakers?

Every second day, and now even Sunday mornings, I can't hear myself think when they pass. Talk about noise pollution!

Alex Campbell Barry

Llantwit Major in ancient times...

I WONDER if a local historian could answer this query?

I am most interested in the early history of Llantwit Major.

I gather that the parish is named after St Illtudus or Illyd, which could only have happened after the arrival of

Christianity.

Does anyone know what the place (or the area) was called before that?

I am a retired teacher and keen amateur historian, now living near Cape Town.

Mr Jay Heale
jayheale@telkomsa.net

Origin of the torch relay?

FAR be it for me to rain on anyone's parade – I love to party as much, if not more so, than anyone else – but the blanket coverage of the Olympic torch progression fair takes the biscuit.

This ceremony was adopted by the Olympic movement at the suggestion of the Nazi government in Germany, which

loved to stage torchlight processions to emphasise Aryan strength.

So, along it came for the 1936 Berlin Olympics and it has been adopted ever since.

It does, however, serve one useful purpose at the moment, in establishment circles – it diverts attention from the economic collapse of the Euro, and perhaps the entire EU edifices.

Christopher Short, Barry.

W JAMES & SONS FUNERAL DIRECTORS

FONMON, RHOOSE, NEAR BARRY
ESTABLISHED 1860

Independent family business with 24 hours personal service covering Barry and the Vale of Glamorgan



PRIVATE CHAPEL OF REST

Tel Rhosee
(01446) 710096

THE COLUMN YOU WRITE

Readers' Letters

IMPORTANT! We reserve the right to edit all letters. We do **NOT** accept anonymous mail. **LETTERS AND EMAILS MUST INCLUDE FULL ADDRESS AND A CONTACT TELEPHONE NUMBER. AN EMAIL ADDRESS ALONE IS NOT SUFFICIENT!**

We will (in certain circumstances) protect a writer's identity, if requested. Please keep your letters BRIEF and address them to: The Editor, Glamorgan GEM Ltd, Graig House, 53 Eastgate, Cowbridge CF71 7E OR email gemeditorial@tindlenews.co.uk

'TOWN'S AMAZING GENEROSITY' £2,469 is raised for RNLI, door-to-door in Barry

BARRY fundraising branch of the RNLI would like to thank the people of Barry for their donations during the recent annual house-to-house collection.

I am always amazed at the generosity shown at this fundraising event for the RNLI. A total of £2,469.62 was raised.

I would also like to thank the fundraising team who gave considerable time to volunteering for this event.

The RNLI is an independent charity that saves lives at sea, providing 24-hour search and rescue from the 234 lifeboat stations around the coasts of the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland, and a seasonal lifeguard service on many of the beaches in Wales and England.

Funding relies on donations and legacies, and costs in excess of £140 million annually to function.

During 2011, lifeboats were launched 8,905 times, rescuing an average of 22 people every

A FEAT OF DEDUCTION!

WHAT a splendid bunch the people of Barry are: Last Friday, a wallet containing several bank cards fell out of my pocket while I was driving along Pontypridd Road on a motor bike.

Treated on the spot!

IHAVE just returned home from hospital after an operation, and my sister came to take me out for a coffee, as I am unable to walk at the moment.

I asked her to take me to Roz Cousins, the local chiropodist, so I could make an appointment.

When we got there, the sign said closed, so we were about to walk away, when Roz opened the door to ask if she could help.

She was a little shocked when she saw me in my wheelchair and asked what happened.

After explaining that I had been in hospital, she asked what she could do

This splendid chap, who spotted it in a feat of deduction Hercule Poirot would be proud of, used his 'little grey cells' to work out where I lived (there was nothing in the wallet with my address on) and returned the wallet the following morning.

Thank you, sir!

David Alexander, Barry

Treated on the spot!

to help. I told her a toe on the only leg I could stand on was hurting; she went into her surgery, came back with a box of equipment and treated my toe there and then, while I sat in my wheelchair outside her surgery in Llantwit.

What a wonderful lady. I don't know any other place where I would be treated so well. Thank you, Roz, you are a gem!

(Name and address supplied)
Let us know your views and news; email us at: gemeditorial@tindlenews.co.uk

day and 17,671 people were aided by lifeguards.

The RNLI also works to promote sea and beach safety. None of this would be possible without donations.

The Barry Lifeboat Station has an all-weather lifeboat and this year, RNLI Lifeguards are now present on local beaches.

We are always looking for volunteers to help with our fundraising. Do you have some time to spare to maybe join our branch, or perhaps do a fundraiser on our behalf? Please telephone 01446 732195.

Chris Tutton, chairman,

Barry Fundraising branch, RNLI

'No flags for the Jubilee' in Barry

I JUST want to voice my absolute disgust at both the Vale Council and Barry Council, for not flying any flags on any public buildings throughout Barry, in recognition of the Queen's Jubilee.

Whether you're a monarchist or not, this is a milestone worth celebrating.

George Carstairs, Barry

FOE AND THE LDP

DUE to the Bank Holiday, the next meeting of Barry and Vale Friends of the Earth will be on Tuesday, June 12, at 7.30pm, in the Castle Hotel, Jewel Street, Barry.

Following the local elections, Barry and Vale FoE will focus on the changes needed to the LDP, which will decide

the fate of many areas of the Vale for years to come, and on the need to drop the so-called Green Project – 'Prosiect Gwyrd', which is only concerned to see incinerators built.

We will be looking to the new administration of the Vale Council to live up to their election promises, Keith Stockdale Barry & Vale FoE Co-ordinator

Change of career?

I WRITE in response to the recent GEM letter from the 'mere mortal', who wrote complaining bitterly about teachers' numerous holidays, inset and strike days.

Might I point out, as the wife of a teacher, that our family have no option but to take all our holidays during term breaks, when the prices are inflated considerably.

My husband has never been to our children's sports days or assemblies, as he is unable to take even an hour or two off during school time (though he would happily make this time up with pupils after school).

Multiple holidays come with the hard task of teaching – but the job does have clear disadvantages. If this appeals to 'mere mortal', could I suggest a change in career? (Name and address supplied)

Memories of the old church at Rhosee...

GEM readers may have recently read that if the old church at Rhosee was still standing today, it would have been 100 years old.

It stood on the west boundary of the Parish of Porthkerry, which extended to All Saints at Barry.

Mr Howard Thomas has given us details of its construction, its material, who built it, and what it cost.

It was often referred to as the 'tin church'.

Over the years, services were only held in the evenings, the only exception being the last Sunday in the month at 10am, for communion.

For the services, the curate, Edward Fowler, was driven to Rhosee from Barry, in a horse-drawn cab supplied by a Mr Hooper of Barry and the cab waited for the service to end and then drove him to Porthkerry for the 11 o'clock service.

The cab then left and Mr Fowler, who lived in the Garden Suburb area of Barry, had to make his own way home through Porthkerry Park.

Sunday school at 2 o'clock was well attended with Miss Elsie Saviours in charge and she was also the organist at Rhosee, and my three sisters and I were regular attendees.

The seating capacity was about 80, the chairs with their 'kneelers' attached, had places for prayer and hymn books.

A large Tortoise stove at the centre on the north side, supplied warmth in the winter with coal as the fuel.

The vestry was at the front on the right (south) side, the small Estey organ next, then the altar and communion rail, the pulpit with its three steps, then a general purpose room on the north side.

The original bell still exists and now hangs in the present church and it is rung before service begins.

Situated a little distance from the eastern end of the church, was the church hall which was a blessing and was a place for the Girl Guides to meet, events organised by the Church Guild, concerts, whist drives etc.

Elections for parliamentary candidates were decided there and it was well used until Rhosee School became available.

I have fond memories or the years that I attended and of the people that I came to know and respect. Hopefully they will remain with me as long as I live.

ALFRED MILLS, Barry (101 this month).

IN BRIEF

Fibromyalgia support

THE next meeting of the Vale of Glamorgan Fibromyalgia Support Group is on Tuesday, June 12, 11am-1pm. Telephone Gaynor Davies for more details on 01446 733315.

Keep fit

AGE CONCERN Barry hold an Extend Class at The Senior Health Shop, 38 Holton Road, Barry, on a Wednesday morning from 9.30am-10.30am.

The classes are designed for the more mature to help maintain a good level of personal fitness. Cost £2. Contact 01446 732385.

HIGH TIDE TIMES

(UNTIL JUNE 14)

The high tides listed in this week's GEM are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tide times will vary. For instance, in Barry, the high point will be 20 – 25 minutes later.

DATE	Time AM	Ht M	Time PM	Ht M
07 Thur	09.17	9.8	21.38	9.9
08 Fri	09.58	9.5	22.22	9.6
09 Sat	10.49	9.1	23.11	9.1
10 Sun	11.33	8.6	23.53	8.6
11 Mon			12.26	8.1
12 Tues	00.51	8.2	13.13	7.9
13 Wed	01.52	7.9	14.27	7.8
14 Thur	02.59	7.8	15.33	7.7

While The GEM makes every effort to check the accuracy of tide tables, we recommend that anyone putting out to sea, or walking in an area where they could be cut off, should always check with a tide table specific to their location.

Carnival for 2013 under consideration as new traders' committee is formed... HIGH STREET'S EVENTS BACK WITH A BANG!

POPULAR family events in Barry's High Street will go ahead in the future, despite being threatened by red tape.

Earlier this year, The GEM reported that stringent health and safety rules and insurance demands, had led the traders' committee to contemplate not holding Christmas and Easter events.

However, a new traders' committee had been formed and a health and safety firm has pledged its help

REPORT by TIM CHAPMAN

too. Melanie Curran of The Lush Cake Company, is the new traders' chairman and told The GEM: "I've always loved High Street as a shopper and a trader and I'm really looking forward to the challenge."

"We are already having meetings to plan what is going to take place this Christmas."

"Another project we are considering, is a carnival of some form in the summer of 2013 - not with huge vehicles, but maybe a

walking one with people able to publicise their community or sports organisation.

"I'd appreciate it if anyone who helped with the old Barry Carnival would get in touch with me, so we can pick their brains!"

Katherine Pickup, of Little Big Shoes, has been chosen as the new vice-chairman of the traders' association.

Anthony Hopkins, the former chairman, said the formation of the new committee was good news for High Street.

"It is great to have some new blood on board and I'd like to wish the new committee all the very best for the future."

"It's now a question of watch this space!"

In recent years, the Christmas event, with choirs, entertainment and the switch-on of the festive lights, has drawn thousands of people to High Street.

The annual Easter bonnet parade for local children was one of the most colourful events in the town's calendar.

School's Jubilee feast



Mrs Jessica Cooper and her team provided a great menu of British favourites for students and staff to enjoy.

STUDENTS from Barry Comprehensive School enjoyed traditional roast beef and Yorkshire pudding this week in honour of the Royal Jubilee.

Canteen staff, under the leadership of Mrs Jessica Cooper, entered into the celebration spirit and decorated the canteen with bunting and flags.

Learning support students also decorated their classroom, intertwining Welsh flags with Union Jacks. The group sent a letter to the Queen, after spending a

lesson studying royal history and current affairs, and were thrilled to receive a reply from Buckingham Palace.

The students from 7EZ really enjoyed telling their new headteacher everything they had learned about the royal family.

Mr McNamara, who will be taking over as headteacher in September, has been spending time at the school getting to know staff and students in preparation for the new school year. AC



Mr McNamara being greeted on his arrival at Barry Comprehensive School.

Booze is banned in Barry! (but only in the 'no-drink areas')

A POLICE operation which is aimed at enforcing the no-drink area on Barry Island throughout the summer, has resulted in the seizure of a considerable amount of alcohol by neighbourhood police officers, on patrol during the hottest weekend of the year so far.

Operation Weather started on Barry Island in April and neighbourhood officers are taking a zero tolerance approach.

Barry Island Neighbourhood Officer, Police Constable Nick Williams, said: "A Police Officer or a Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) has the power to confiscate and dispose of alcohol being consumed within any of the drinking exclusion zones in the Vale of Glamorgan."

"If someone fails to comply with a request given by the Police Officer or a PCSO a fixed penalty notice of £50 can be issued and an Anti Social Behaviour referral submitted. Police Officers also have the power to arrest and charge, and report for summons where the penalty can be increased to £500."

"Because Barry Island is a designated alcohol-

exclusion zone and a family resort, officers have been working in partnership with British Transport Police to confiscate alcohol from anyone found to be in possession of it."

People in Barry can drink in restaurants and pubs, but not on the beach or streets. British Transport Police and South Wales Police officers will continue to check visitors to Barry Island arriving by train, bus and car and if they are found to have alcohol, it may be confiscated.

High visibility patrols will continue throughout the coming months and will be heightened during holiday periods and weekends.

Local Policing Inspector Chris Owen said: "I am reminding visitors to the area from all over south Wales, that Barry Island is a popular family oriented resort and we welcome anyone who comes here to enjoy themselves in a reasonable and law abiding manner."

"We are again appealing to parents, not only in Barry, but from the valleys communities who come to visit the Island, to check where their children are going and whether they are carrying alcohol with them. They will be stopped, any alcohol will be confiscated, and any other necessary action will be taken."

"Barry Island is a place for all the family and we will keep it that way," the Inspector warned.

BARRY TOWN COUNCIL AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS 2011/12

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to Sections 30 and 31 of the Public Audit (Wales) Act 2004 and the Accounts and Audit (Wales) Regulations 2005 that:

1. From 25 June, 2012 to 20 July, 2012, inclusive, between the hours of 9.30 a.m. and 4.00p.m. (Monday to Friday), any person interested may, on application to Barry Town Council, 7 Gladstone Road, Barry, inspect and makes copies of the accounts of the above named Council for the year ended 31 March, 2012, and all books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts relating thereto.

2. On or after 23 July, 2012, until the conclusion of the audit, the Appointed Auditors, Mazars LLP, Clifton Down House, Beaufort Buildings, Clifton Down, Bristol, BS8 4AN at the request of any local government elector for the area to which the accounts relate, will give the elector or his/her representative an opportunity to question him about the accounts, and any such elector or his/her representative may attend before the Auditor to make objections:-

(a) as to any matter in respect of which the Auditors could take action under Section 32 of the Act; or

(b) as to any other matter in respect of which the Auditor could make a report in the public interest under Section 22 of the Act.

3. No objection may be made unless the Auditor has previously received written notice of the objection and the grounds on which it is to be made, and that a copy of such notice is sent to the body whose accounts are the subject of the audit.

Dated this 7th day of June 2012
Cliff Lewis
Town Clerk

WINDSOR HOTEL

**Friday 8th June
Live Female Artist
6pm to 9pm**

**Sunday 10th June
Live Band - The Don
from 5.30pm**

**Sunday 17th June
The Boogie Men
Live from 6pm**

**170 HOLTON ROAD,
BARRY CF63 4LL
07872 109157**

facebook

REAL INDIAN FOOD

twitter



HOME DINING

Authentic Indian flavours transformed into a contemporary experience

Try the 'Pure & Fresh' range and say goodbye to artificial colours, flavourings or preservatives. Our chef will transform your taste buds and enhance your dining experience with his 'Pure & Fresh' range of Indian meals.

£5 off*

OFFER
CODE D25

**Our Home Dining
Menu
*on orders over £25**

Not valid in conjunction with any other offer, set meals or discounts.
Only one offer per order. Please mention offer code when ordering.
Expires 30/6/12.

South Wales Food & Drink Awards 2012

FINALIST

South Wales Best Takeaway
Read the review on our website
www.tiffinrasoi.com

"Restaurant quality food
in a takeaway format"

Read our review by
Tim Chapman of The
GEM, on our website



TERRIFIC TIFFIN TREATS!

Sunday - Thursday

Offers valid until 30th June 2012.
Not valid in conjunction with any other offer, set meals or discounts. Please mention offer code.

TB01: Free Starter* or Veg Side Dish
with any order over £15
*Starter up to the value of £2.75

TB02: Free Curry* or Chicken Biryani
with any order over £20
*Curry up to the value of £5.95

TB03: 20% off when you spend £20
or more at regular menu price

**TB04: £15 Meal Deal*: 2 Starters,
2 Curry, 2 Pulao Rice & 1 Nan**
*Starter up to £2.75. Curry up to £5.95.

MD2 • MAHARANI MEAL DEAL £18.95

A GRAND MEAL FOR 2

• Any 2 starters* • Any 2 mains* • 2 Pulao Rice
• 1 Nan Bread • 1 side dish,
includes Papadoms and chutneys

Not valid with any other offer or discounts. *Starters up to the value of £2.75/Mains up to the value of £5.95

2 FREE CANS OF SOFT DRINK ON COLLECTION

CHEF'S FLAVOURS OF THE MONTH - JUNE

Benarasi Murgh

Grilled chicken, cooked with green chillies,
garlic, potatoes, coriander, in a spicy sauce . . .£5.95

Podina Murgh

Chicken Breast fillets, cooked with fresh
mint, onions, herbs and spices and yoghurt . . .£5.95

Jalandar Gosth

Tender lamb, cooked with spices in curry
sauce flavoured with oriental herbs,
fresh green chillies and coriander . . .£5.95

**BY POPULAR DEMAND
AVAILABLE IN JUNE**

Chicken Ceylon

Chicken breast fillets prepared in a fairly
hot coconut sauce with coriander . . .£5.10

Dall Palak Murgh

A tantalising combination of chicken,
spinach, mixed lentils and fresh garlic . . .£5.95

Mango Delight

Chicken Tikka in a mild coconut, almond
nut & Alphonso mango flavoured sauce . . .£5.95

37 HOLTON ROAD • BARRY • VALE OF GLAMORGAN • CF63 4HB
Tel: 01446 743030 or 721100 Web: www.tiffinrasoi.com

Joyous Jubilee!

Staff and pupils at All Saints Church in Wales Primary School enjoyed a fantastic day of celebration for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee when the day began with a Eucharist service, ably led by Year 5 pupils.

Later, as each class was dressed in the costume of a particular decade of the Queen's reign, two winners were chosen from each year group. At lunchtime there was a huge 'street party' outside and the whole school shared a feast fit for a Queen!

Then followed a grand costume parade on the school field, followed by the final judging. The overall costume winners were Jacob Ellis and Beth Norman, who were crowned Pearly King and Queen for the Day. This was certainly a day to remember and Headteacher Richard Ware (dressed as Elvis) said that he was proud and delighted that everyone had taken part with such enthusiasm.

Earlier in the week, each pupil had been presented with a Jubilee mug, generously provided by the school's parents and friends' association.

Pupils dress up for a party to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee



JO INSPIRED BY HER STRICKEN FRIEND

Mum to tackle Kenyan bike challenge for three cancer charities

REPORT by TIM CHAPMAN

A PENARTH mother of four, who has been inspired by a close friend with cancer, is to attempt a 400-kilometre bike ride in Kenya to raise money for three charities close to her heart.

Jo McGuigan (36) told The GEM: "My friend Karen, who lives in Cardiff, is a mother to six children, and is now expecting her seventh.

"She had been diagnosed with cervical cancer and cannot have any treatment until the baby is born. She is currently 30 weeks pregnant.

"Karen is the inspiration behind me wanting to go to Kenya for the cycling marathon.

"I want to raise funds for Breast Cancer Care, Ovarian

Cancer Action and Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust."

Jo will travel to Kenya in June 2013, but in the meantime is planning to take part in an event this autumn to start the ball rolling.

She said: "As a half-way stepping stone, I intend to run the Cardiff half marathon in October. "I'm aiming to raise £5,000 for the three charities."

Jo's motivation has already been boosted by the fact that she has managed to shed four stone for the two upcoming events.

"I'd like to lose another six stone," she added.

Beespoke support
The Kenyan bike ride is quite an undertaking for a single mum with four children - Jordan (18), Ashley (15), Georgia



ABOVE: Jo McGuigan (centre) with generous supporters Louise Edwards and Gerard Davies of Beespoke Cycles.

(11) and Morgan (9) - and a generous local company, who heard about her challenge, Beespoke Cycles based in Palmerston have come to her aid and given her a bike to train on.

Louise Edwards, of Beespoke Cycles, explained: "We gave Jo the bike because we wanted her to raise as much as possible in sponsorship for such good causes."

Louise's colleague Gerard Davies

explained: "What we have provided Jo with is a bike that will be equivalent to the one she will use in Kenya. "It is a lightweight, good quality, 21-speed bike that is the female version of the one that we provided for the Barry police force. It is a good quality bike that would last the course."

To support Jo's fundraising, please go to: www.justgiving.com/jo-mcguigan; and for more information go to: Facebook.com/cycleken

yaforcancersearchjune2013

COUNCILLORS' SURGERY

Labour councillors for Castletand ward, Barry, Chris Elmore, Pamela Drake, Les Sword and Karl Kuhnell will be holding a surgery this Saturday, June 9, at the Drop-In Centre, Castletand Community Centre, Belvedere Crescent, Barry between 10.30am-12 noon. No appointment necessary.

Contact Coun Elmore on 07867 506 116, or 01446 450 007.

THE SUN SHINES ON BARRY JUBILEE PARTY



ABOVE and RIGHT: Local residents were celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee at The Knap.

PHOTOGRAPHS by JAN IRVING

Cancer group's thanks

THE Penarth committee of Cancer Research UK (Cymru) has thanked those who supported the fashion show in the Conservative Club on May 17, which raised £1,000.

There will be a concert in All Saints Church Hall, Penarth, on Saturday, June 23, organised by Nicola Caldwell and friends,



(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1) THERE was a little bit of the 'luck of draw' about the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

Some events were hit by the weather, while others went ahead in bright sunshine - it all depended on which date people chose.

Residents in The Knap, Barry, chose right, and were able to relax in the sunshine - looking across the Bristol Channel with a cool drink and enjoying good company.

ADVERTISEMENT FEATURE

Local company offers extensive expertise

CS BOXALL supplies and installs a wide range of fireplaces to suit your style, creating the perfect heart for your home.

We also supply and install all types of fires, including gas, electric and multi-fuel, and a complete range of accessories, complementing our range of fireplaces.

As one of the largest heating and plumbing companies covering South Wales, CS Boxall supplies, installs, maintains and services both condensing conventional gas boilers and condensing combination boilers, offering a wide range of gas central heating systems to suit all budgets, and are Worcester Bosch accredited installers, which enables us to provide a seven-year war-

ranty on all Worcester Bosch installations.

CS Boxall cleans and unblocks all types of drains, and sewage pipes. Unpleasant smells or an overflowing toilet, we remove the cause and get your drain flowing again. For drains that need cleaning, we have high pressure water jets which are extremely effective.

CS Boxall supplies, installs, maintains and services all types of AGAs and Rayburns. Whether you're looking for a combined cooking, hot water and central heating model or a cooker-only model, our extensive range gives you ample choice.

As registered AGA and Rayburn Guild engineers, our specialist expertise ensures we can advise, supply, install, service, repair and restore all types of AGAs and Rayburns, giving you peace of mind.

CS Boxall supplies, installs, maintains and services all types of log and wood burners and stoves, and biomass boilers. We are HETAS accredited installers, this is the official body recognised by the Government.

We supply and install Maincor underfloor heating systems - the modern/luxurious alternative to radiators.

CS Boxall also has an extensive trade store for all your heating, plumbing, and electrical supplies, from a gas cylinder to a complete bathroom suite, our trade store can provide a great service and great prices.

We have a wide range of plant for hire, and our trade store is presently being expanded. Our qualified staff can help with any questions you may have.

SEE ADVERT ON PAGE 8

Brownies at Cog Moors



DURING half term, the 1st Rhooose Brownies visited Dwr Cymru Welsh Water Education Centre at Cog Moors.

Tawny Owl Pat Field said: "The day started with what went down our drains, and our two lucky young scientists did a hands-on demonstration restructuring the waste.

"The morning ended

with a tour around the site to see how the waste is then cleaned. After lunch, the Brownies enjoyed a couple of hours outside, orienteering with all clues to do with the use of water.

"The Brownies enjoyed their day and are looking forward to revisiting the centre when the African village project is operational.

"Many thanks to on-site teacher for the day, Deb Jones."

The MASTER MARINER

Skomer Road, Barry
Live Entertainment every Friday...

- 8th June: **SHABOOGIE (Band)**
- 15th June: **PRIVATE PARTY (Lounge)**
- 22nd June: **THE DON (Band)**
- 29th June: **THE VALE OF JAM-MORGAN**

Large Television showing Live Sport, Football, Rugby, and all major sporting events!

Saturday 30th June Armed Forces Day Celebrations Karaoke Fun Day!

- A great range of cocktails.
- Two pool tables, darts & juke box.
- Skittle alley - new teams welcome.

Comfortable lounge with stunning views - Room available for Private Hire

Find us on Facebook The Official Master Mariner

Tel. 01446 732300

'WE LOVE OUR NEW COMMUNITY CENTRE!'

All smiles as Castleland residents enjoy open day

CASTLELAND Community Centre, Barry has been refurbished, and on the day it was officially opened, local residents were able to view the state of the art facilities.

As you can see from the pictures, people were delighted with what they saw, and had the chance to meet some rather famous characters!



Images
by
NEIL
MOORE



summer
half price
sale

140% 50%
savings
across the store

starts this weekend!

Est. 1951



GEORGE STREET FURNISHERS

Furniture • Carpets • Beds • Bathrooms

NEWPORT 01633 214241

CARDIFF 02920 49 27 27

19-21 George Street, Newport, NP20 1HN. (Just off George St Bridge on A48)
Mon/Thurs 9.00am-8.00pm • Tues/Wed/Fri/Sat 9.00am-5.30pm • Sun 11.00am-5.00pm

374 Newport Road, Cardiff, CF25 9AE. (Next to the Range)
Mon 10.00am - 8.00pm • Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri 10.00am - 6.00pm, Sat 9.30am - 6.00pm • Sun 10.30am - 4.30pm

(Selected) Free only, while stocks last, see website for details - images are for illustration purposes only

Queen Elizabeth part of Senedd's young history

Celebrating the Diamond Jubilee in Wales began in full with the Diamond Jubilee royal tour in April, starting with a national service of thanksgiving in Llandaff Cathedral, which I was privileged to attend.

It was a very moving service with people from all walks of life in Wales, as well as all generations, taking part.

As well as the excellent cathedral choir leading the singing, the inter faith communities were represented and took part in the prayers.

It was lovely to meet many of my constituents that day, including young people in the Scouts and Guides, who were excited to be at the event.

During the two day royal tour, children lined the streets to greet the Queen and Duke of Edinburgh and she was warmly welcomed at all the places she visited.

Last week, the First Minister Rt Hon Carwyn Jones AM opened a debate in the

ASSEMBLY NOTES



by Vale AM **JANE HUTT**
(Minister for Finance and Leader of the House)

Senedd, to congratulate the Queen on the occasion of her Diamond Jubilee and to pay tribute to her steadfast support for Wales over the last 60 years.

He said: "This is a truly historic occasion and I get a real sense that across Wales, it has been embraced by people from all walks of life and different communities."

He outlined some of events taking place across Wales during Jubilee week, including the lighting of beacons and street parties – both formal and informal.

He also told the

Assembly that he had been invited by the 1st Battalion Royal Welsh to attend their Diamond Jubilee Parade and to present a number of Diamond Jubilee Good Conduct and Long Service Awards.

There were a number of events in the Vale organised by groups, communities, churches and schools.

Some of them took place last week leading up to the Bank Holiday, such as Jenner Park School celebrations and the Castaways Club in Trinity Street, who were enjoying their Jubilee celebrations on June 1 after their successful cake sale and coffee morning.

Services, picnics and street parties were held and events go further into the summer, including the Age Concern Friends and Neighbours Party on June 14.

The Diamond Jubilee celebrations follow swiftly on from the excitement generated by the Olympic Flame torch bearers who carried the flame through Dinas Powys and the streets of Barry on Saturday, May 26.

From the early hours of Saturday morning, people came to line the streets and cheer the torch bearers and their supporters.

A memorable occasion for all those who took part, which paves the way for an exciting 2012 Olympic summer uniting us across the world.

Queen Elizabeth II opened the new Senedd in 2006 and has been present at all our inaugural ceremonies over the past 13 years since

the National Assembly for Wales came into being. She has watched our progress, as we strengthen in powers and confidence and has taken a great interest in our developments.

She is part of our young history and we were able to acknowledge that with dignity and respect in the Senedd last week as we have been doing throughout Wales in our Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

Blue weighted recycling bags are now on sale

RECYCLING in the Vale continues to get even easier, as the Vale Council introduces an alternative recycling container for residents.

Now on sale at the council are blue co-mingled recycling bags, costing just £1 each. They are made from the same material as the council's green reusable garden waste recycling bags.

The Vale Council's director of visible and housing services, Miles Punter, explained:

"Each blue bag has a 500g weight sewn into the base, intended to minimise the instances of bags being blown away in windy weather."

"The recycling bags also have Velcro-secured lid seals, helping to contain residents' recycling when placed out on collection days."

The 60-litre capacity bag folds neatly away when it's not in use, and can be used to contain paper, glass, cans, card, plastic, drained aerosols, clean foil and cartons such as Tetrapak. This allows users to continue to divert even more material from landfill sites.

Coun Rob Curtis, cabinet member for the environment and visible services, said: "While some residents remain very happy with using a recycling box, there are some who have expressed an interest in using an alternative container."

"We are delighted that blue co-mingled recycling bags are now on sale at the value price of £1."

"Residents are welcome to write their names and/or addresses on their bags, to better ensure they are returned once emptied by recycling crews."

"By offering choice, with a different container on sale, we hope that even more residents will recycle a larger amount of materials, with greater frequency."

The sturdy new recycling bags are immediately available from the

Civic Office, Barry, or the Alps Depot, Wenvoe, with plans to sell them at local libraries in the near future.

For more information, visit the council's website at www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/recycle; email visible@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk or telephone 01446 700111.

To find out more, either follow the council on Twitter: @VOGCouncil or via Facebook: Vale of Glamorgan Life.

RUGBY SQUAD'S DAYBREAK LINE-UP FOR VALE HOSPICE



ABOVE: The Welsh rugby squad dropped in with the Daybreak team to visit the children at Ty Hafan.

DAYBREAK came very early for Ty Hafan recently as children, families and staff prepared to 'go live' on ITV's Daybreak, as part of the network's awareness-raising schedule to highlight Children's Hospice Week 2012.

As a prelude to going live, some of the children between the ages of 10-16 joined the Welsh rugby squad at their Hensol training ground for an afternoon meeting the

players and being filmed in readiness for the programme.

Presenter Gethin Jones, no stranger to the hospice, was around for both occasions to interview some very excited youngsters and their parents about how the support of Ty Hafan makes a difference to their lives.

As part of the show, the teenage girls and ladies were treated to an early morning manicure by the girls from the Hair & Nail Lounge @ Trinity, where they were joined by Gethin

Welsh international Mike Phillips, who also dropped in to take part in the fun.

Ty Hafan's Liz Rundle said: "It was a really early start but everyone had been looking forward to having Gethin and the crew here at the hospice."

"It was fantastic to be part of the national televised campaign for Children's Hospice Week and the young people who took part absolutely loved it."

WHAT'S ON /in brief

AM holds surgery

VALE AM Jane Hutt will be holding a surgery tomorrow (Friday, June 8) at the Murchfield Community Centre, Dinas Powys, from 4pm-6pm.

Elder abuse awareness

THE Vale Older People's Strategy Forum hosts an event in the Civic Library, Kings Square, Barry on June 15 from 9.15am-3pm, to promote World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.

The Older People's Commissioner for Wales, Sarah Rochira, will be present.

Stalls will include Atal-y-Fro, Community Safety, Cardiff Women's Aid, AdvantAGE scheme, Vale Volunteer Bureau, TeleV, Supported Housing, and Housing Benefits.

Adopt with confidence

Prior to adoption, all of our cats will have been vet checked, microchipped, neutered* and vaccinated. We also provide four weeks' free insurance** giving invaluable peace of mind and reassurance.

T: 01656 724 396
E: bridgend@cats.org.uk
W: www.bridgend.cats.org.uk

Reg. Charity 265858 (England and Wales) and SC037111 (Scotland)

What's in your bin?

Tel: 01446 700111 Email: visible@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk

Waste less and recycle more!

We have introduced our new co-mingled bags for recycling

Each blue bag has a 500g weight sewn into the base; a Velcro-secured lid seal; large 60 litre capacity and folds away when not in use

AVAILABLE NOW!

Buy yours now from the Civic Office, Barry or the Alps Depot, Wenvoe.

Open Monday to Friday - they also stock free co-mingled recycling boxes

Only £1.00 each

recycle for the Vale
www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/recycle

Follow us on Twitter: @VOGCouncil or via Facebook: Vale of Glamorgan Life

Teddy bears leave their picnic to parachute jump for charity

ST Cadoc's church Cadoxton, held its annual sponsored teddy bear parachute jump and barbecue on Sunday, May 20.

The weather was glorious for the 64 assorted animals that dared to attempt their parachute jump, and after undergoing their medical checks in the well-equipped first aid tent, they were announced 'fit to fly'.

Most of the animals landed safely, although for the few with minor injuries the 'ambulance crew' (Nathan and Nina) were on hand to transport them to the first aid tent for treatment.

Each participating bear was awarded a well deserved certificate of bravery.

The prize for the best dressed adult's bear was given to Mrs Val Young, and the first prize in the children's section was awarded to Amber Armstrong. Second prize to Bethan Jenkins, and third prize to Tegan Sheppard. The standard of the other entrants was so good all children were awarded a prize.

The barbecue was well attended, as was this year's popular Gruffalo hunt, which was enjoyed by all. There were many interesting faces coming out of the church after the children had them painted. We also had the name

the bear competition, with the following names chosen as winners; *Mutley (Arthur), Beattie (Joan Tucker), Iggy (Joanne Morgan), Jethro (James Adams), Red (Barbara Niblett and Liza Braddon), Beau (Hannah), Daffy (Diane Jeffrey), Fifi (Marian Jones), and Echo (Norman Craggs).*

Coun Les Sward, the newly-elected Barry Town Mayor, and his consort, wife Rachel, accepted an invitation to attend and judged the best dressed bear competition.

The event raised £1,101.35 to date, which will enable the parish churches of St Cadoc's and St Mary's to send many more gift-filled shoe boxes to needy children in Eastern European countries this Christmas

time, as part of the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal.

For some of these children, this will be the only gift received, and because of the sheer number in need, they may never receive another box again.

Thank you to everyone for their attendance at this event and for the extremely generous sponsorship given, it will make a difference to a child less fortunate than our own.

The parishioners of both churches are very generous in their support of the appeal, donating items to fill boxes such as: small toys, pens, paper, flannels, soap, toothbrushes and paste, crayons and much more, and many spend hours knitting hats, scarves,

gloves - vital to keep these children warm.

The appeal has now spread from the parish into the wider community, where many people kindly donate items for these children, for which we are very grateful.

The recipients of these boxes are often orphans, or have been abandoned. Some live on the streets, and have been diagnosed with fatal diseases. Others live in dire poverty and have never been given a toy before.

This year's boxes will be packed ready for dispatch at the end of October. We were able to send 628 gift-filled boxes last year, and we will hopefully reach even more this year.

Shirley Powell

Sporting Island

AFTER the Olympic flame came through the Vale on May 26, a number of sizzling sports taster sessions kept the Olympic spirit burning for the rest of the day in Barry and Barry Island.

Organised by the Vale Council's events officer Sarah Jones and the council's sports and

play development team, the free fun gave youngsters the chance to try out a range of sports in Barry town centre, including badminton, basketball and rhythmic gymnastics.

A beach sports party was also in full flow on the beach at Barry Island, with people of all ages keen to play beach volleyball and have a go at sitting volleyball.

The day gave beach-

goers a taste of the events to come later this summer at Barry Island.

Events officer Sarah Jones pointed out: "Starting from Saturday, July 21, there will be a packed programme of exciting events along the seaford at Barry Island every weekend during the summer, including street dance, street art and music."

Max raises the temperature to boiling point at Paget Rooms

THE temperature outside the Paget Rooms, Penarth was hot - but inside, it reached boiling point, as a packed hall stamped and clapped along to the urgings of the inimitable Max Boyce.

The show was due to start at 7.30pm, but by 6.30pm, the queue already wound from the hall doors out into the street.

So rather than getting the audience warmed-up, a redundant activity on such a night, Roy Noble used his vantage point from the stage to direct the packed crowd into the spare corners available, while assuring them that it was not a chapel service and that there would be no collection taken.

Roy then introduced Caryl Parry Jones's upcoming National Eisteddfod appearance, doubling as 400 impromptu hand fans, as the temperature rocketed.

Then every single seat was vacated so that Max could lead his answer to the New Zealand Haka: a chanted chorus of 'Humpty Dumpty' with haka hand movements, culminating in a triumphant leap.

A truly magnificent evening was enjoyed

ing in with her daughters, who won warm appreciation from the audience for their lovely singing and playing.

After the break, the mini volcano that is Max Boyce exploded onto the stage and the 'Oggy, oggy, oggies' of 400 voices raised the old hall's roof higher and higher.

Max then took his audience to Twickenham, Paris and the Millennium Stadium, in the company of trousered cockerels, hymns and arias and bottles that once held bitter ale.

The body of the hall was a sea of movement, with the flyer for Caryl Parry Jones's upcoming National Eisteddfod appearance, doubling as 400 impromptu hand fans, as the temperature rocketed.

Then every single seat was vacated so that Max could lead his answer to the New Zealand Haka: a chanted chorus of 'Humpty Dumpty' with haka hand movements, culminating in a triumphant leap.

A truly magnificent evening was enjoyed

by every one in the audience. Full marks to the Penarth National Eisteddfod fundraising committee for their achievement; and to the evening's stars, all of whom gave their services entirely free for, to quote Max, "this greatest Welsh cause".

Thanks also to the Windsor Bookshop and Foxy's Deli in Penarth for handling ticket sales and to The

GEM for helping ensure that everyone knew about this very special event.

And from me, I'm just so thrilled that I can now say that on the hottest of hot nights in Penarth, "I was there!"

PHIL GIBBINS

The Eisteddfod, based in the Vale this year, takes place from August 4-11 at Llandow.

Generation X is launched

GENERATION X, an intergenerational art project producing wooden sculptures which depict the Vale through the decades, is being launched tomorrow (June 8).

The project is funded by the Arts Council for Wales and has brought together the Vale's Older People's Forum and young people from the area to share their memories and views of life in the Vale.

Artists Laura Gower and Kate Murphy designed six pieces of work for the project.

During February half term, participants worked together to bring the art to life.

Now completed, the collection has been moved to Porthkerry Park, as part of the Woodland Trial, where it will remain for all local residents and visitors to the area to enjoy.

The launch of the collection will take place at 5.30pm at Porthkerry Park (near the café).

Following the launch, light refreshments will be provided in the log cabin.

BRIDGEND VOLVO SPECIALIST

Bridgend's Alternative to main dealer prices...



All servicing, repairs, tyres & MOTs carried out at realistic prices.



**VOLVO
MOT's
£37.00
(No re-test fee)**

- Fully equipped workshop with the very latest Volvo diagnostic technology
- Volvo checklist issued with every service
- Courtesy cars available
- Local collection & delivery service
- State of the art showroom with exceptionally comfortable waiting area.

Motoring costs enough, help us to keep your running costs down...

For more information call 01656 769769 or visit www.bvswales.co.uk

Bridgend VOLVO Specialists Ltd, Unit 7-8, North Point, Bridgend Industrial Estate CF31 3RX

C.S. Boxall is a family business established since 1990
C.S. Boxall Ltd.
Plumbing & Heating
Over 30 years experience in the plumbing and heating industry.



MULTI FUEL STOVES



24 HOUR CALL OUT SERVICE
We repair toilets, sinks, baths, showers, taps, pipes, radiators, towel rails, cylinders, water tanks, all heating systems, gas and electric fires, boilers, burners, stoves, oil tanks, gas appliances, underfloor heating, renewable energy, electrical faults, etc.
24hr Call Out No. 07590 350650

VISIT OUR SHOWROOM
Stockists of Draper Tools and Plant Hire.



Serving both the commercial and domestic market.
All work guaranteed - Finance Available.



FREE LOCAL CALOR GAS DELIVERY & FREE SAFETY CHECK



TOOL & PLANT HIRE

Office 01446 772444 - Freephone 0800 849 1254
www.csboxall.co.uk

39F Vale Business Park, Llandow, Nr Cowbridge, CF71 7PF

OPEN: 8am 'til 5pm



VALE MP's VIEWPOINT

VALE CELEBRATED JUBILEE IN STYLE!

LAST weekend showed the best of the Vale of Glamorgan and of the UK. As I write this column, we are concluding our Diamond Jubilee weekend celebrations for Her Majesty the Queen, who has just arrived at St Paul's Cathedral.

There was an array of festivities and events across the Vale and the rest of the country to mark and celebrate 60 years of our Monarch's reign.

I had the privilege of attending a number of local events in Barry, Peterston Super Ely, Ewenny, Cornstown, Cowbridge and Fontygary.

Local schools and charities held parties; churches joined with other denominations to give thanks; street celebrations brought neighbours together (who don't always see each other because of today's busy lives).

Community fetes were organised from Barry to Ewenny; locals dressed in red white and blue to celebrate the Union; and Scouts and others lit beacons late into the night.

One of my favourite fancy dress winners was a family who dressed up as the royal crest, including the shield, the lion and unicorn – a fantastic effort that had taken weeks of



Conservative MP Alun Cairns reports to GEM readers

planning and definitely worth it! Few free nations around the world would come together to celebrate and show support for 60 years reign of their head of state. Such efforts truly demonstrate the respect and affection in which we hold the Royal Family, and the Queen in particular.

Their service to our nation is uncompromising and offers stability that is needed in an ever-changing world. The Prime Minister and his predecessors have all commented on her sound advice on difficult occasions for our nation.

The respect that we show is

mirrored around the Commonwealth and the globe when she travels to represent our interests overseas.

The Prince of Wales' charities' have supported more business start-ups than the Welsh Development Agency ever did. The Prince's Trust helps young people take that first step and Prime Cymru seeks to harness the experience older people could bring to business. His passion for the environment and sustainable architecture and design is a conscious one on all our shoulders.

The late Princess of Wales contributed hugely to our understanding of HIV and AIDS. At a time when there was significant confusion and prejudice, she engaged sufferers. This did more to explain the reality than any advertising campaign ever could.

It also seems that Prince William and Prince Harry are following these important traditions from their parents. Few individuals could command such respect and response to their appeals.

In a democratic world, it can be difficult to explain the hereditary principle. Politicians come and go and it has been a delight to celebrate the Queen's reign.

She has been a constant throughout our lives and, from my experience, the Vale of Glamorgan celebrated in style.

Vale MP is 'proud to launch manufacturing competition'

LOCAL MP Alun Cairns said he was "proud to be launching the 'We Made It!' competition in the Vale, working with local schools and industry to help young people understand how exciting

and rewarding a career in manufacturing could be".

The competition will invite young people aged 13-16 to submit designs and ideas for a gadget, gizmo, toy or tool they'd like to see made.

Any invention, no matter how creative, is welcome, and as long as it's realistic enough to be made there's a chance it could be!

The entries will be judged by Mr Cairns and the winner will be entered into a nationwide competition judged

by a group of organisations involved in manufacturing.

The best entries nationwide will be invited to a Fab Lab, the outstanding facilities provided by MIT and the Manufacturing Institute, where their designs will be manufactured and brought to life.

Later this autumn, Mr Cairns will bring the winner of the Vale competition to a reception and awards ceremony in Parliament.

They will have an opportunity to meet the heads of manufacturing organisations involved in the project, and learn how to take their career further.

Mr Cairns said: "I'm very proud to be supporting this great project to help young people turn their ideas into reality."

"The UK desperately needs more young people aspiring to high-level manufacturing jobs, and gaining a better understanding of how the industry and businesses involved in it actually works."

"From the schools I've visited across the Vale, I'm sure that we have the young talent to succeed in this competition. It's a great opportunity."

To enter the competition, pupils can visit: www.wemadedituk.co.uk.

PROMOTION FOR MEGAN!

AIR Cadet, Megan Hamblin (19) of 372 (Barry) Squadron, has recently been promoted to the top rank of Cadet Warrant Officer – after six years loyal service, hard work and dedication.

Megan's career with the Air Training Corps (ATC) has included flying in military aircraft, gliding, sport, shooting, hill walking, camping, being appointed the Lord Lieutenant's Cadet, attending summer camps at RAF stations in the UK and overseas, as well as fundraising for the Royal Air Forces Association.

Megan is currently working towards completing her Duke of Edinburgh Gold award and is a keen musician. She regularly leads and performs in the Squadron band.

Flight Lieutenant Jason Horton, Commanding Officer 372 Squadron said: "This promotion to the highest rank is richly deserved. Very few Cadets will ever achieve this rank."

Megan thoroughly deserves this promotion for her years of dedication, service and commitment to the ATC and 372 Squadron".

Megan received her promotion from Wing Commander Ken Pudney, Officer Commanding No 1 Welsh Wing.

After her promotion Megan said: "I was really chuffed to be promoted. I am looking forward to the responsibilities which now come with my new



rank". Megan will now be assisting with the Squadron training programme activities which include: flying, gliding, shooting, visits, sport, projects, band and adventurous training.

If you have a spirit for adventure, 372 (Barry) Squadron has vacancies for young men & women between 13-18 years old. The Squadron parade on Mondays and Wednesdays 7pm-9.30pm behind Adams Funeral Parlour (by the Memorial Hall) or 01446 747734 or email 372@aircadets.org.

JH

District nurse Christine retires

COLLEAGUES and friends have said farewell to district nurse Christine Foster, who retired on June 1, from Broad St Clinic.

She has worked as a team leader for Ravenscourt Surgery and Highlight Park Medical Centre in Barry, during 40 years' service to the NHS, starting work as a qualified nurse in 1972, and has spent most of her nursing career work-

ing in the community.

A committed and motivated nurse throughout her career, she will be greatly missed by all her colleagues, patients, GPs and surgery staff.

Her team – Sarah, Kath, Lois, Jo, Carly, Cherie, Mary and not forgetting Deb, join in wishing her a very happy retirement.

Enjoy watching Jeremy Kyle and Good Morning! KE

Farmers' Jubilee hamper draw

THE Vale of Glamorgan Farmers' market celebrated the Diamond Jubilee with the market stalls decorated with bunting and flags.

A free draw was made for two fantastic hampers filled with delicious produce donated by the market stall holders.

The draw was made by Mrs Geraldine Middleton-Stewart MBE, who was visiting

the market from Surrey. The first prize hamper was won by Mrs Lauren Davies, from Oxford, who was visiting her parents at Llansannor.

The second prize hamper was won by Mrs Eleanor Wilson of Trebetyn, Cowbridge, who is a regular supporter of the Farmers' Market.

"Congratulations to them both, and we hope they enjoy their goodies," said spokeswoman Myfanwy Edwards.

Catathon 2012

Guinness World Record attempt
30 June, Bridgend Town Centre

Cats Protection's Bridgend Adoption Centre is holding a world record attempt for the largest gathering of people dressed as cats. The current record stands at 800 people so we are looking to smash this.

For more information and costume guidelines:
E bridgend@cats.org.uk
W www.bridgend.cats.org.uk
F cpbridgend

Reg Charity 281644 (England and Wales) and 1007711 (Scotland)

Thank you

• Brabantia • Stellar • Horwood • Judge Vista • Meyer • Circulon • Anolon •

Siemens • Smeg • Hotpoint • Canon • Electrolux • Zanussi • AEG • Liebherr • Miele • Caple

1st Choice APPLIANCE & COOKWARE CENTRE

PREMIUM QUALITY BRANDS AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES

WASHING MACHINES From £199

Two floors with a comprehensive display of appliances and accessories. Factory refurbished and brand new appliances in stock.

Built-in ovens, hobs, dishwashers, washing machines, fridge freezers, range cookers - gas, electric, LPG and dual fuel in stainless steel and farmhouse styles!

Quality Products at Competitive Prices!

DISCOUNTS FOR THE OVER 60s on Tuesdays and Thursdays (Please ask in-store for details)

ONLY WITH THIS VOUCHER

3A TYNEWYDD ROAD, KING SQUARE, BARRY (opposite new library)

Also large warehouse & showroom at 252 HOLTON RD, BARRY (Bassett End)

Prices constantly checked to make sure WE ARE THE CHEAPEST

All In Stock! - Ready to Go! Same/Next Day Delivery Service!

Full Repair Service and up to 5 years manufacturers warranty

Telephone: 01446 730884

www.1stchoicetrade.co.uk

OPEN: Monday - Saturday 9am - 5.30pm

Appliance used for illustration purposes only.

• TEG Design • James Martin • Jamie Oliver • Franke • Astracast • LG • LEC •

THE BIG SALE

Weekend

PLUS EVERY CARPET FITTED FREE!

THIS WEEKEND

75% OFF

FASHION BEDS FRAMED BEDS KIDS BEDS DIVAN BEDS & MORE

Encore Two Drawer Divan
This great value two drawer double divan benefits from a quilted spring interior mattress with woven damask sleep surface on a coordinating base. Wide range of mattresses available at extra cost.

2 Drawers included

TAKEAWAY PRICE
NOW ONLY £199 (incl. delivery)

BED PRICE PROMISE
OUR PRICES WILL NOT BE BEATEN*

HALF PRICE PLUS UP TO AN EXTRA 25% OFF

FITTED FREE SPECIAL REDUCED WEEKEND PRICE ONLY £4.49 <small>PER SQ. MTR. (incl. VAT)</small>	FITTED FREE SPECIAL REDUCED WEEKEND PRICE ONLY £5.37 <small>PER SQ. MTR. (incl. VAT)</small>	FITTED FREE OVER 75% OFF ONLY £5.97 <small>PER SQ. MTR. (incl. VAT)</small>
COMET , Hard-wearing textured Berber. Available in 4 colours.	NEW TURBO , Modern hard-wearing tall back loop pile Berber carpet. Available in 4 colours.	SQUARE DEAL , Hard-wearing stylish Berber. Available in 4 colours.
FITTED FREE 50%+ 25% OFF ONLY £3.99 <small>PER SQ. MTR. (incl. VAT)</small>	FITTED FREE OVER 70% OFF ONLY £4.99 <small>PER SQ. MTR. (incl. VAT)</small>	FITTED FREE OVER 50% OFF ONLY £5.97 <small>PER SQ. MTR. (incl. VAT)</small>
TORFIDO , Hard-wearing action back Berber ideal for one room in the house. Available in 4 colours.	RAZORBLADE , Modern hard-wearing tall back loop pile Berber carpet. Available in 4 colours.	SUPER TWIST , Lustrous natural hair pile carpet. Available in 4 colours.
FITTED FREE SPECIAL REDUCED WEEKEND PRICE ONLY £6.29 <small>PER SQ. MTR. (incl. VAT)</small>	FITTED FREE SPECIAL REDUCED WEEKEND PRICE ONLY £6.44 <small>PER SQ. MTR. (incl. VAT)</small>	FITTED FREE SPECIAL REDUCED WEEKEND PRICE ONLY £8.06 <small>PER SQ. MTR. (incl. VAT)</small>
KNAPSACK , Stain resistant loop pile carpet, suits everyday living. Available in 4 colours.	CARNAL , A stylish cut & loop available in vibrant colours.	HYPERWEAVE , Luxurious natural hair pile carpet. Available in 4 colours.

RUGS LAMINATES VINYL

FANTASTIC RANGE FROM ONLY \$15
HUGE CHOICE OF STYLES & SIZES IN STOCK
HUGE CHOICE AT LOW LOW PRICES!!

WOOL CARPET

FROM ONLY **£5.99** PER SQ. MTR.
FANTASTIC QUALITY LOW PRICES

UNITED CARPETS

WOODFLOOR & BEDS

Unit 7, Grippoly Mills,
Sloper Road,
Cardiff CF11 8AA
Telephone 02920 383770

OPENING HOURS Mon-Sat 9am-6pm,
Late night Thurs 8am-8pm, Sunday 10.30am-4.30pm

www.unitedcarpetsandbeds.com or CALL FREE ON 0800 344 442



FITTING 7 DAYS A WEEK
FREE HOME MEASURING SERVICE
FREE INSURANCE ESTIMATES
FREE CARPET DELIVERY

Terms and conditions apply
ask in store for details

Products subject to availability. *Free fitting applies when you buy the equivalent size of our Airstep or Treadmore underlay. Stair surcharge applies. Free fitting offer does not apply to laminate wood or vinyl flooring. Stocks vary from store to store. * If you can buy the same or a similar bed from the same manufacturer for less within 14 days of purchase we will refund double the difference in price. Internet retailers excluded.

Air Cadets join Barry branch

SENIOR air cadets from 372 (Barry) Air Training Corps Squadron have been invited to join the Barry branch of the RAF Association.

Cadet Warrant Officer (CWO) Megan Hamblin and Cadet Sergeant Adam Wood were the first to sign on the dotted line and now actively take part in open branch meetings.

When the Barry branch was forced to dispose of its club facility some three years back, the branch committee searched for an alternative venue.

Barry Air Training Corps Squadron's building was an ideal location for the branch members to come together on a regular basis.

With help from the Commanding Officer of 372 Squadron, an agreement was reached with HQ Air Cadets, for a 'peppercorn rent', to hold monthly 'temperance' meetings (much to some visitors' surprise).

To form a closer bond with the Air Cadets, who have helped the branch tremendously with 'bag

packing' for Wings Appeal, the branch decided to adopt 372 (Barry) ATC Squadron and the certificate to that effect is now proudly displayed on the squadron's wall.

CWO Megan Hamblin reports regularly to the committee on the achievements of the cadets.

The stats on collecting over the years proved cadets have averaged over 80% of the money collected.

At the Squadron's annual presentation evening, the cadet collecting the most money is presented with a framed aircraft print and the 'Gwelfor Thomas' shield, honouring a founder member of 372 Squadron and Hon Welfare Officer of the branch for 29 years.

The Barry branch is proud of the efforts by the Air Cadets for their assistance over the years. With the Hon Welfare Officer receiving the Wings 20% rebate, it has meant the branch can continue to support ex RAF personnel who live locally in the Llantwit / Rhose / Barry area.

Meg Hamblin & Adam Wood.



ABOVE: Chairman Geoff Horton welcomes CWO Megan Hamblin and Cadet Sergeant Adam Wood to the Barry RAF Association branch.

Jubilee treat for locals!

LOCAL residents shopped at their Iceland stores and also ended up with £250-worth of Iceland food, plus all the goodies needed to host the biggest Diamond Jubilee party in town.

There were three winners from the area who entered Iceland's nationwide Jubilee competition to reward one customer from each of their stores

with enough Iceland food and goodies to stage a celebration to remember on the Queen's Diamond Jubilee weekend.

They beat thousands of other hopefuls to the prize – a party pack stuffed to the brim with party food, Jubilee bunting, table cloths, crowns and loads of other Jubilee-themed goodies to make their own Jubilee party on

Sunday, June 3.

Lisa Holland won through the Barry store, Jane Jones won through the Bridgend store, and Shaney Buckley won through the Maesteg store.

Alison Laverick from Iceland said: "It's great the winners can host their own Jubilee party and invite all their friends and family to come and celebrate with them."

Beach Boys' rare single auctioned to support Daniel

A RARE, framed and signed white vinyl Beach Boys single will be auctioned off to raise funds to help support Daniel, a local Barry boy who was born with a rare malignant tumour at the top of his spine.

The auction will form part of a special event and raffle at the Bryn Hill Golf Club in Barry on June 9 with tickets costing £5 each. All money raised will be donated to the Daniel's Cwtch Fund, which is used to provide additional care and support for Daniel, as well as support for CLIC Sargent and LATCH.

"I've known Daniel's parents for a long, long time - his dad came to my wedding," said CAVC Deputy NVQ Coordinator Lisa Taylor, who has organised the event. "As soon as the Fund was launched we

decided to do events to help the family in any way that we could."

Lisa is based at the College's Barry Waterfront site. Waterfront Co-ordinator Ceri Case arranged for the special prize. "My daughter Ellie presents a radio show in the States and when she interviewed the Beach Boys she asked them something to auction for charity," Ceri said. "It's a rare item - it was not issued for general release."

The single, Don't Fight the Sea, was issued to raise funds for victims of the March 2011 Japanese tsunami. Only 1,000 copies were produced and of those just 90 were signed by the band.

For more information, or to make a bid, contact Lisa via: lisa@taylor-site.co.uk

SOUTH WALES' LEADING INDUSTRIAL DOOR MANUFACTURERS

actiondoors.com

GARAGE DOOR SPECIALISTS

01656 659274
01446 439214

posh pawz Salon & Spa

Full range of Grooming Services

Opening Day

Saturday 9th June

10.30am - 3pm
11 Fontygary Road, Rhose CF62 3DR

Come along for an informal discussion, and a look around our brand new salon



Kathryn Johnston & Jo Greenough
(fully trained groomers, formerly of Park Crescent) welcome you!

10% DISCOUNT off first groom with this advert

www.poshpawzsalonandspa.co.uk
poshpawzsalonandspa@gmail.com
Appointments now being taken

01446 710044

Kathryn 07974 776620 • Jo 07986 467696

- All breeds catered for
- Safe, clean and professional environment
- Kathryn has special expertise in Bichon Frise
- Your precious pooches are treated with utmost care and respect

facebook

WHAT'S ON / in brief

Ladies choir
A ladies choral group, Allegro, has been launched in Penarth to sing popular standards and songs from major musicals in three part harmony.

The musical director, Ray Dibble, has over 40 years' experience in staging major productions both in Penarth and at St. David's Hall in Cardiff.

Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings from 7.30pm to 9.30pm, at Albert Road Community Centre in Penarth.

There are vacancies in all sections. Telephone 029 20217681 or e-mail ray.dibblembe@gmail.com

PACT meetings
BARUC PACT, June 14 at Barry

Island Community Hall, Friars Road at 6.45pm.

Gibbonsdown PACT, at Gibbonsdown Residents Road Office, Coychurch Rise at 10.30pm.

Plymouth PACT, June 13, at Lower Penarth Community Centre, Brockwill Way at 7pm.

Bonvilston get-together
PEOPLE over 50 can get together for a coffee morning to make new friends at the Reading Rooms, Bonvilston, every Tuesday from 10am till 12 noon.

For more information, contact Jane Platts on 01446 795631, or email jane.platts@age-concern-cardiff.org.uk

FOR SALE

REDUCED PRICE

EXCELSIOR HOUSE, LITCHARD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE BRIDGEND, CF31 2AL



- 22,989 sq.ft. (2,135.8 sq.m.) GIA including mezzanine
- Site area 0.91 acres (0.37 ha)
- L shaped detached industrial unit
- Car parking and separate yard

alder king
ASKING PRICE **E400,000**
029 2022 0000
www.alderking.com



MONDAY

Barry 4.30 & 6.30pm
Brynston Hall, Junction of Court Road & Llanover Street
Lorraine - 01446 407002

Rhose 5.30pm & 7.30pm
Celtic Way Community Centre, Celtic Way
Helen - 01446 750738

Penarth 5.30pm & 7.30pm
Elfed Avenue Methodist Church, Elfed Road
Sarah - 07525 852288

TUESDAY

Barry - 5.30pm
Holy Trinity Presbyterian Church, Trinity Street
Joanne - 01446 404897

Barry - 4.30pm
St. Davids Methodist Church Hall, Winston Road
Annmarie - 01446 736534

Llantwit Major 5.30pm & 7.30pm
Our Lady & St. Illtyd Church (Catholic) Ham Lane East
Helen - 01446 750738

Calling all past members. A warm welcome awaits you.

Sully - 6.30pm
The Old School South Road
Niki - 01446 740394

WEDNESDAY

Barry 4.45 & 6.45pm
St. Francis Millennium Centre, Park Road, Porth-y-Castell
Annmarie - 01446 736534

Barry - 6.00pm
Cadroxton Methodist Church Church Road
Joanne - 01446 404897

Penarth 9.30am & 11.45am
All Saints Church Hall Victoria Square
Tracy - 07894 275853

Penarth 5.00pm & 7.00pm
All Saints Church Hall Victoria Square
Tracy - 07894 275853

THURSDAY

Cowbridge - 9.30am
Cowbridge Rugby Club
Rob - 07708 941279

Barry - 6.00pm
Highlight Park Community Centre, Barry NIA - 07793 885581

Dinas Powys 5.30pm & 7.30pm
The Cabin by swimming pool, Hebron Hall
Sarah - 07525852288

Barry - 10.15am
St Helen's Church Hall Wyndham Street
Niki - 01446 740394

Cowbridge 5.30pm & 7.30pm
Cowbridge Comprehensive
Aberthin Road
Rob - 07708 941279



*When you buy a 12-week Slimming World course 27 May to 16 June 2012

0844 897 8000
www.slimmingworld.com

SW on f

because you're amazing

Connie looking forward to 'bringing show home'



Barry's Connie Fisher as Ruth Sherwood in *Wonderful Town*. Courtesy of Alastair Muir.

BARRY singing sensation Connie Fisher has done a lot since she shot to fame on the back of winning the BBC talent contest 'How Do You Solve A Problem Like Maria?' in 2006 – landing her the leading role of Maria von Trapp in the West End production of *The Sound Of Music*.

Yet it seemed like everything she had fought to achieve had been taken away from her, after it was revealed that she had congenital sulcus

vocalis, a condition from birth, that meant she had holes in her vocal cords. Doctors warned her she may never sing again.

Successful operations prevented that from happening, but altered her voice range, meaning she is now "bringing my new show home" – Leonard Bernstein's musical *Wonderful Town*.

"It was unfortunate," she told The GEM. "Losing your voice is like losing a limb. It's hard to adapt. Social occasions are difficult. You basically have to live like a nun!"

"But it's a relief to be doing it again. I love my job, love entertain-

INTERVIEW by LEIGH GRUFFYDD SANDERS

ing, love telling stories. I've now learned to accept what I can and can't do. I'm not going to be a Julie Andrews who can sing everything, but I've learnt to sing things that I never thought I could.

"My singing coach calls it my Galaxy chocolate voice – it's smooth and a secret indulgence!"

Speaking of her new show, Connie says she couldn't wait to follow in the footsteps of one of her idols.

She added: "I had to get my musical bearings because I didn't know the show or songs at all.

"But a really big hero of mine, Maureen Lipman, played my character Ruth Sherwood in the show in the 1980s.

"I wanted to do something different to Maria to show I'm not just a one-trick pony. I wanted to make people laugh as there's always been a comedienne inside of me."

And bringing the show home to Barry will make the tour's end extra sweet for Connie, who spoke of her love for the town and the Vale as a whole.

"I miss my husband, obviously, he's the rea-

son I'm there. I also miss the culture, the heritage, the bay is beautiful and its proximity to Cardiff makes it easy for work.

"The people are lovely. My new friends all speak Welsh and take pride in their country. And all the sea air is great for my lungs!"

And later this year, Connie will be delighted to see the National Eisteddfod come to her home county, an event she has performed in previously and is now involved with heavily, as part of the Gorsedd.

She spoke of the importance for English-speaking Vale residents not to be put off by the language barrier.

"It's not all in Welsh. Obviously you don't want to sit through hours of a language you can't speak, but there are many talented musicians, dance competitions and crafts you can enjoy. I feel it beats Llangollen [International Eisteddfod] hands down!"

"I'm launching a jewellery range with Carrie Elspeth, who is from the area, at the Eisteddfod this year, so I'm really looking forward to that!"

With *Wonderful Town*'s long tour coming to an end this summer, Connie says she will be entering the BBC TV studios again for filming on the hit hospital drama, *Casualty*.

With a bright future, she won't forget the health problems that almost brought her

career to an end, and is grateful for everything she has coming her way.

"It's been a wonderful tour with four and five-star reviews everywhere. There's a chance it could go to the West End and why not?"

"I just want it to go out with a bang, with a special show in my home."

Barry set for Arts Festival

THIS summer, Barry will have its own Arts Festival, running from July 27 to August 5.

Canolfan Porthceri Centre secured funding from Arts Council Wales and Newydd Housing and is ready to unveil their programme of music, painting, comedy, poetry, bands, creative writing and choirs.

Established artists, such as Del Rey, will be performing for the first time in Barry and award-winning folk band Taran and Gillian Clarke, National Poet of Wales, are also part of the programme.

Community involvement will be a vital part of proceedings and everyone is invited to take part in community events marking the festival – the wall-hanging

project and mural will commemorate a week where people come together to get creative and have fun. Barry is also bursting with home-grown talent and this will be on display during the many fringe events taking place.

Dot Connell, Chair of Canolfan Porthceri Centre, said: "What has been really special is the way that other organisations like Vale Blues Jazz and Roots, VOGA, Pukka Productions, Art4U, have come together to run events of their own, as part of the festival."

"It's become such a feature that we decided to call it the Fringe!"

For a full list of events go to www.porthceri.co.uk or find us on Facebook and on Twitter @BarryArtsFest.



Dinas Windows Ltd
New windows, doors, conservatories, porches, fascias, soffits and guttering.
We also do repair work to windows and doors.
Call now for 01446 749055 Unit 16, Ty Verlon Industrial Estate, Cardiff Road, Barry
Freephone 0800 0260587

www.dinaswindows.co.uk

REPLACEMENT DOOR & WORKTOP SPECIALISTS

**FREE
FITTING**

limited offer



A family business with vast experience in the replacement door and worktop market. Everything you require from the doors, to worktops and new appliances and sinks

**DOOR
DOCTOR**
less mess. less cost

01446 688018 • 01656 360027

www.door-doctor.co.uk

Our 3rd store in Wales... **GRAND OPENING**

up to 50% off

NOW ON

plus up to an EXTRA £200 OFF

EXTENDED ONE MORE WEEK!

3 years free credit

the celebration collection with your extra vouchers. Ask staff for details

Was £2499 **Sale £1249** with voucher **YOU PAY ONLY £999**

EXTENDED ONE MORE WEEK!

Super stylish 3 seater sofa with scatter back cushions
RRP £999 Sale £499

diamond Deal

with voucher you pay only **£399** The Sofa

Just a small selection from our huge **Beds & Bedroom department**



Many more stunning designer bedroom ranges to compliment every home

diamond Deal

3 seater bed frame with traditional wooden footboard
RRP £239 Sale £129

4 FREE

Double open end bed with built in drawers with 4 wheels & casters
RRP £799 Sale £379

with voucher you pay only **£99** The Frame

with voucher you pay only **£299** The Bed

Lots of beds & mattresses in stock!

Stunning new designer corner sofa, Elegant lines and superbly comfortable and with EXTRA savings right now!

Expect so much more than an average furniture store.....

With **HALF PRICE SAVINGS** and up to an **EXTRA £200 OFF** everything in the "Celebration" collection there has never been a better time to buy from our superb range of suites & sofas, beds and bedroom, stunning dining, occasional furniture and finishing touches where everything is in our grand opening sale



Beautiful designer suites & sofas

diamond Deal

4 seater sofa in Sherlock colour Mink with Jupiter Stripe colour charcoal. Stunning designs - Stunning price! Other colours also available at the same great price.

Was £1799 **Sale £879** with voucher **YOU PAY ONLY £699** The Sofa

EXTENDED ONE MORE WEEK!

diamond Deal

Beautiful designer luxurious 3 seater reclining sofa
RRP £1259 Sale £629

with voucher you pay only **£499** The Sofa

diamond Deal

Beautiful oak extending dining table. Price includes 4 chairs
RRP £1499 Sale £749

with voucher you pay only **£599** The Set

diamond Deal

Stylish oval solid rustic Oak extending dining table and 4 chairs
RRP £2259 Sale £1129

with voucher you pay only **£899** The Set

Finishing touches with our **designer Accessories**



Lamps, Mirrors, Wall Art, Rugs, Throws, Inspired Colours & much more



Unit 5, Freemans Park,
Penarth Road,
Cardiff,
CF11 8TU.
Tel: 02920 371970

www.fwhomestores.co.uk

Opening Times
Mon - Sat: 9.00am - 6.00pm
Sunday: 10.30am - 4.30pm

fw
homestores
.co.uk
SOFA DINING & BED
specialists

Where else can you get...

- ✓ INTEREST FREE CREDIT
- ✓ 72 HOUR DELIVERY
(subject to stock availability)
- ✓ 5 YEAR GUARANTEE



CARDIFF - PENARTH

DESIGNER furniture NOW OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

Out and About with The GEM

Summer Country Fair ...and Food Festival

Fonmon Castle near Cardiff
June 30th and July 1st



Cream tea in the castle, Live music
Great food, Great Shopping, Garden Walks

10am - 6 pm
Fonmon Castle
Admission: £6
Concessions: £5
Advance tickets: £5
Children: Free



For tickets and information:
01446 796065 07736246512
www.welshcountryfairs.co.uk

Grassland event

WALES YFC will attend the Royal Welsh Grassland Event at Pentre Farm, Merthyr Cynnog (by kind permission of Mr John R Davies, president of the Royal Welsh Agricultural Society) tomorrow (Friday, June 8).

Floral society

JUNE will be a busy month for the Barry Floral Society: on Tuesday, (June 12) Mrs Gloria Davis of Ammanford, will give a demonstration entitled 'Those Golden Years' at 2.15pm.

On June 26, members and friends will enjoy an afternoon of 'celebration', with a demonstration by Alison Bentley of Wenvoe, a display of designs by members, and an afternoon tea (2.30pm-4pm) at the St Nicholas Hall, St Nicholas Road, Barry. Visitors welcome.

Church auction

SULLY church, which has begun fundraising for work, including tree surgery, urgently needed in the parish churchyard, is holding an auction evening on June 13 in the Old School, Sully at 7.30pm. Donated antiques, china, gifts, art-work and other items. Everybody welcome; entry at the door £1.

Art society's outdoor demo

ON Thursday, June 14, Cowbridge Art Society welcomes local artist and tutor Peter Cronin, who will be giving hints and tips on sketching and will lead a sketching session outdoors.

Peter paints mainly in watercolours in a traditional transparent manner, although recently he has been working with oils. He is a member of the Watercolour Society of Wales.

If bad weather prevents an outdoor session, alternative arrangements will be made for indoors.

Members are asked to bring along all appropriate materials.

The society meets at the Old Hall, High Street, Cowbridge on Thursday evenings (7pm-9pm) and visitors are most welcome. For further information, visit www.thecowbridgeartsociety.com.

Flying circus

FRED'S Flying Circus, starring Y Bont Faen pupils, takes place on June 15-16.

Tickets available online, £6. Remaining tickets will be sold on the door on the night.

Contact Y Bont Faen Primary School, Borough Close, Cowbridge, CF71 7BN on 01446 772374.

Summer fete

THE Parish of Cadoxton-juxta-Barry will hold its annual summer fete in the grounds of St Cadoc's Church (the old village hall in Cadoxton) on Saturday, June 16 at 2pm.

There will be games, a bouncy castle (weather permitting), fancy dress, a grand prize draw, and many stalls with: cakes, bric-a-brac, jewellery, bottles, gifts, refreshments and more.

The Barry Brass Band will also be playing in the afternoon. Adult entry charge is 30p.

Bodie and Yogi sign up for Ty Hafan!



Portuguese water dogs - Bodie and Yogi.

BOISTEROUS

brothers Bodie and Yogi have already signed up for Ty Hafan's brand new event this year - being held for that very special friend in your life - your pet dog!

'Hounds for Pounds' will take place on Sunday, August 5 in Margam Country Park between 11am-4pm.

Entry costs £5 per adult, all children under 16 years old go free and each entrant is asked to raise £30 minimum in sponsorship.

Register at: www.tyhafan.org/hounds, or contact 02920 672 060.

The entry fee includes parking at Margam Country Park and a special treat for all dogs.

KOOKIE'S KITCHEN

STEVE BELL is the owner of Kookie's Kitchen, Cowbridge's newest cafe, situated within Happy Days Vintage Homestore on Church Street, Cowbridge.

For the past five years, Steve was running Cookin' Camper, the catering company based around 'Cooky', the red and cream VW camper van that

has been a familiar sight on Vale roads.

"Our aim at Kookie's is to serve both straightforward and some more unusual cafe foods, cooked to our own recipes, using fantastic, locally sourced ingredients," he said.

Steve has appeared on BBC2's 'One Man and his Campervan', as well as cooking live on the 'Jamie and Louise Show' on BBC Radio Wales.

Now Open at Happy Days Vintage Homestore



If you like home cooked food, relaxing with a full flavoured coffee, or drinking your tea from a china cup...

Church Street,
COWBRIDGE
CF71 7BB



www.kookieskitchen.co.uk

Food that
tastes like it
should...

kookie's
kitchen

80th Anniversary Ball



at Barry Memorial Hall
Friday June 15th 2012 8.30 - 12.00

Demonstration by
Darren Bennett
& Lilia Kopylova

Winners
of BBC's

Strictly
Come
Dancing

Tickets \$25
available from
Barry Memorial Hall
01446 738622



• Raffle • Licensed Bar •

OCEAN LOUNGE ★ PORKKERRY ★

WE ARE NOW OPEN:
THURSDAY, FRIDAYS & SATURDAY NIGHTS
& ALL DAY & NIGHT ON SUNDAY

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
Every Friday & Saturday
Night - plus Bingo

Friday 8th June
DAVE BOWEN Male Vocalist
Saturday 9th June
DAVID LONGDON Male Vocalist
Friday 15th June
RHIANNON Female Vocalist
Saturday 16th June
BEX Female Vocalist
Friday 22nd June
JAMIE MORGAN Male Vocalist

Saturday 23rd June
JACK DANIELS LAUGHTER SHOW
Comedy/Vocalist

Thursdays
CURRY & A PINT £5.95
Quiz from 8pm

Food served Thursday & Friday 7-9pm
Saturday 12-3pm & 7pm-9pm
Traditional Sunday Lunch
Served 12-3pm £6.95

CAR BOOT SALE
EVERY SUNDAY from 2pm
To find us - click directions@
www.firejoust.com

Tel. 01446 710362/711538

Bedsteads • Adjustable beds • Kids beds • Bedroom furniture • Divans • Mattresses • Guest beds • Bedsteads • Adjustable beds • Kids beds • Bedroom

beds • Bedroom furniture • Divans • Mattresses • Guest beds •

Furniture • Bedstead

• Divans • Mattresses • Guest beds •

beds • Kids beds • Bedroom furniture • Divans • Mattresses • Guest beds • Bedroom

furniture • Bedsteads • Adjustable beds • Kids beds • Bedroom furniture • Divans • Mattresses • Guest beds • Bedsteads • Adjustable beds • Kids beds

Dreams
CLEARANCE OUTLET

0% APR
REPRESENTATIVE

This advert is copyright of Dreams Plc 2012. Clearance items are one off ex-showroom models, ex-comfort exchange or cancelled orders. Delivery is priced separately or collect for free – see in-store for details. Headboards or divans are extra. Mattresses and bedding on bedsteads are extra. Nothing to pay until Winner representative example: Cash price £1260, pay nothing until 01/11/12, then pay 12 monthly payments at £100 (6% APR). Total amount of credit £1200. Total amount payable £1200. Finance available subject to status. See in-store for details. Indemnities may be required.

The role of a US combat cameraman

THE Americans are coming – and you can join them at the Wartime Weekend on Barry Waterfront and Barry Island Station on Saturday and Sunday, June 16-17.

The events run from 10am-5pm on Saturday and 10am-4pm on Sunday.

Most people think of the combat soldier or the fighter pilot when they think of the war, but for local photographer Ade Pitman it's the people who captured the images and sounds of the war that fascinates, and that's why he portrays the role of a combat cameraman.

Although the first images of battle were captured on glass plates during the American Civil War, the Second World War became the first war to be extensively recorded by the media.

With no televisions at the time, radio broadcasts were recorded during the battles and even from aircraft during bombing raids.

As the people who captured this history themselves fade into memory, these images and broadcasts bear testament to the Second World War and historians the world over owe a debt of gratitude to the bravery of these combat cameramen.

Ade commented: "I started re-enacting the role of a combat cameraman to combine my love of photography with an interest in the history of the Second World War."

"In doing this, I try to ensure that these brave men and women are remembered, including those photographers and cameramen who are currently capturing the images of the frontline



ABOVE: Ade Pitman will be documenting the Wartime Weekend in his guise as a combat cameraman.

that we see on today's news.

"You can become detached from your surroundings when viewing them through a lens, which during battle re-enactments can be dangerous.

"But for the real combat cameraman it can be fatal, as Joseph Longo, founder of the International Combat Camera Association, says: 'The brave ones shoot bullets; the crazy ones shoot film'."

"During the war years, photographic film and developing facilities were almost impossible for most people to get hold of, but the Barry papers of the day show that US Servicemen were still able to take photographs; very often of their weddings to local girls."

As part of the Barry at War group's project to record the Vale of Glamorgan's wartime history, the group would be interested to see and make copies of any of these wartime photos.

The official photographer for the Wartime Weekend, Ade Pitman, will be in action throughout the event, and the photos can be seen and purchased from his website: www.adepitmanphotography.co.uk.

Dr Jonathan Hicks

SCOTT'S SCI-FI EPIC IN SCALE, but weak on everything else!

WHEN Ridley Scott declared he was returning to the science-fiction genre, fans' hopes of it being linked to the *Alien* franchise were seemingly dashed, when Scott claimed there was no link between his new film and the series.

Scott must be a terribly good poker player as, further down the line, he backtracked and told how *Prometheus* would be a prequel 'of sorts' to *Alien*, leaving fans rabidly eager to sample Scott's sci-fi skill set once again.

Set in the future, it sees scientists Elizabeth and Charlie (Noomi Rapace and Logan Marshall Green) lead an expedition into the furthest reaches of space, having discovered clues to the origins of mankind.

Alongside a ragtag mob, including the likes of Idris Elba, Charlize Theron and Rafe Spall, the scientists' discoveries put the future of mankind at risk as they stumble across something incredibly dangerous...

30 years after he wrote the rulebook on sci-fi horror with *Alien*, Ridley Scott has morphed into a director of epic proportions – the likes of *Gladiator*, *Black Hawk Down* and *Kingdom of Heaven* all offering spectacle in excess. So his return to the genre that kick started his career has been met with the sort of fervour rarely seen in these days of blockbusters.

Prometheus, however, is a film that cleaves very closely to the rules Scott helped create, and while it looks unbelievably beautiful and, at times, wonderfully dangerous, is let down by a

SCREEN TALK



by
GARETH JAMIESON

Follow Screen
Talk on Twitter -
@GEMScreenTalk

poor script and some less than impressive performances.

Scott's visual sense is keenly felt here, the opening shots absolutely gorgeous as we soar through mountains and rivers, and he maintains this level of spectacle throughout.

The film is shot beautifully, the computer graphics seamlessly incorporated into the mix delivering plenty of bang for your buck – while even the much-maligned 3D comes out OK; with even the darkest of scenes lit well enough to allow for the 3D glasses' automatic darkening not to be too much of a hindrance.

Scott and his director of photography Dariusz Wolski are on fine form throughout, but despite the gorgeous visuals, elsewhere there is not so much to praise.

When the film was announced, co-writer Damon Lindelof claimed it was a "...far cry from *Alien*" – which is fair enough, although the fact that he and Jon Spaihts have seemingly used the template of

that film show it isn't that far away. In places, it feels like a tick-the-box script with large elements of foreshadowing being delivered in a less than subtle way.

The dialogue is also weak, further hampering actors who are far better than the performances they offer here.

Noomi Rapace lands the strong female role, but sadly isn't up to the task, the actress delivering a physically committed but slightly wooden turn, while the likes of Logan Marshall Green, Idris Elba and Sean Harris are all caught up playing archetypes that don't develop.

While Charlize Theron is solid, but with very little to do, the best turn on show falls to Michael Fassbender's android, who brings a detachment, but with an underlying hint of malevolence, that makes him a wildcard, never knowing what he's going to do next.

If more components had been up to the standard of Fassbender's performance then *Prometheus* would have been quite the spectacle; however, as it is, the film is simply a pleasing return to a familiar world that works better as nostalgia than as a new cinematic adventure.

VERDICT – Rich in scale and grandiose ambition, Ridley Scott's return to sci-fi is a welcome one, but *Prometheus*' failure to incorporate strong performances or script mean that this a gorgeous looking film with little under the bonnet dressed as up as something deep and meaningful. *Average*.

SEE THIS IF YOU LIKED: *Alien* (1977), *Pitch Black* (2000).

Residents honoured by the Gorsedd of the Bards this year

THE names of south-east Wales people to be honoured by the Gorsedd of the Bards at the Vale of Glamorgan National Eisteddfod, have been announced.

In line with the Gorsedd of the Bards' revised arrangements for honouring new members, which are in place for the first time this year, all new members will enter the Gorsedd on the same level, irrespective of whether they are honoured into the blue or green robes.

From now on, only the winners of the main stage competitions at the National Eisteddfod will be honoured with White robes. Everyone else entering the Gorsedd will be accepted either to the blue or the green, dependent on their area of expertise.

Honorary druid – blue robes – services to the nation in the field of law, science, sports, journalism, media, local / national activities:

Born and brought up in Gilfach Goch, **Betsi Griffiths** was head-teacher at Ysgol Gymraeg Tonypandy for 25 years, from the opening of the school. She is an integral part of her community as a reporter for the local paper *bro, Tafod Elai*.

Gwenda Griffiths has provided a unique service to the nation in the media for the past 30 years. Originally from the Vale of Clwyd, she has lived in Cardiff for many years. She set up the TV production company, 'Flic' in the early days of S4C, and has been responsible for excellent series like 'Pedair Wal', 'Y Ty' 'Cymreig', and 'Y Cwprdd Dillad'.

Carwyn Jones has been the First Minister of Wales since 2009. He has been the Assembly Member for Bridgend since 1999, and was the Minister for Education, Culture and the Welsh Language from 2007-2009.

A barrister by profession, he worked at the

Gower Chambers in Swansea for ten years. He is interested in a wide range of sports, especially rugby, and is an avid fan of his local team in Bridgend.

Arwel Ellis Owen enjoyed a successful career in broadcasting, working as news editor for BBC Wales, head of programmes at the BBC in Northern Ireland, chair of the International Film School and temporary chief executive at S4C.

He has greatly influenced the media, and has received international acclaim for his work. He is currently chair of the Care Council for Wales and vice-president of the National Library of Wales.

Gwerfyl Thomas has made a great contribution to the cultural life of Bridgend and Porthcawl. An enthusiastic teacher at Ysgol Gymraeg Maesteg, she has also been a great worker for the Tabernacle Chapel. She was one of the founding members of Cŵr Merched y Fro and contributed greatly to the campaign to set up the local paper *bro, Yr Hogwr*.

She is an enthusiastic member of the Porthcawl Literary Society and is a regular competitor in Eisteddfodau.

The Gorsedd also honours new members to the green robes for their contribution to the arts.

Those who have succeeded in the Gorsedd examination or are eligible because of their degree in literature, music, drama or art, also receive the green robes, as will the winner of the Osborne Roberts Memorial Prize every year and the winners of the Urdd Crown and Chair.

The following four south east Wales residents will also receive the Green robes.

Basil Davies, Barry, has been committed to working for the Welsh language on a professional and voluntary basis for many years.

His name has been linked with the Welsh for Adults sector for over 30 years. Although originally from Llanddaraog, Carmarthen, he has lived in Barry since 1974.

The tenor voice of

popular singer, **Wynne Evans**, has mesmerised audiences across Wales and beyond for over a quarter of a century. He is principal tenor at Welsh National Opera, and regularly appears with other opera companies. Originally from Carmarthen, he now lives in Cardiff.

A leading actress since the early 1960s, **Lisabeth Miles**, has enjoyed a long and varied career, and is still appearing on our screens today. She starred on Welsh stages throughout this period, becoming a firm favourite with people of all ages.

She has also been generous with her time, training young people at the Royal College of Music and Drama, and her unwavering work for Welsh culture in Cardiff is commendable.

Originally from Cardiff, **Huw Stephens**, broke onto the scene in 1999, when chosen as one of Radio 1's presenters to introduce new Welsh music to a UK wide audience.

As the station's youngest ever presenter, his career has gone from strength to strength and he always gives the Welsh language a prominent role within his programmes. He continues to broadcast in Welsh on Radio Cymru and in 2007, he created the Sw'n Festival, a brand new music festival in Cardiff.

The chair of the local executive committee at each Eisteddfod will also be honoured with the blue robe in the following Eisteddfod.

Among the other well-known faces honoured this year are rugby players, Stephen Jones and Shane Williams, former footballers and commentators, John Hartson and Iwan Roberts, who will receive the Blue robes.

A full list of recipients is on the Eisteddfod website at www.eisteddfod.org.uk

The Vale of Glamorgan National Eisteddfod is held on the old airfield at Llandow near Cowbridge and Llaniwit Major from 4-11 August. For more information go online or ring 0845 4090 400. Tickets available online or by ringing the ticket-line – 0845 4090 800.

Barrivale Bridge

LATEST results from Barrivale: Club open pairs championship, May 15 and 22.

1st Sean Macdougall and Ann Macdougall 57.5%; 2nd Celia Thomas and Jane Brook 56.94%; 3rd Noelle Bond and Mick Green 56.25% = 3rd Kay Dyer and Diana Kendrick 56.25%

The Open pairs handicap winners were Kay and Diana

New members are always welcome at Barrivale. If you would like to join telephone 01446 733425 or call at the Pioneer Hall, Beryl Road Barry on Tuesdays at 7pm.



70 years ago, they were over here... Book with us if you want to go over there!

SAM SMITH TRAVEL

55 High Street, COWBRIDGE
Telephone: 01446 774018
Fax: 01446 773695
sam@samsmithtravel.com
www.samsmithtravel.com

A WARM WELSH WELCOME TO ALL!



Induction or improvement
£16 PER LESSON
£45.00 for 3
£85.00 for 6
Why not book a course?

EXCELLENT VALUE

Weekdays: 9 holes £6.00,
18 holes £9.00

Weekends and bank holidays:
Prices retained
Tel: 01656 647926

We're easy to find - off A48,
opposite Bridgend Ford

- Nine-Hole Golf Course Pay & Play
- All-weather flood light driving range
- All equipment available for hire
- Professional Tuition

Full Independence Ltd FINAL CLEARANCE SALE ENDS SATURDAY, JUNE 9th



Wheelchairs from £99

Specialists for all your access solutions:

- Lifting and living aids • Walk in Baths
- Scooters • Wheelchairs
- Power chairs • Stairlifts
- Property Maintenance



Beds from £425



Scooters from £395



Rise/Recline Chair from £399



VISIT OUR SHOWROOM:

01446 711555

Units 1 & 2 Adenfield Way,
Rhoose CF62 3EA



In Business Update



In 2 Minds about hypnotherapy?

Clinical Hypnotherapy
Let your best shine through!

We can assist your quest for improved quality of life...

- Weight Control
- Stress/Anxiety
- Confidence/Self Esteem
- Irritable Bowel
- Insomnia
- Phobias
- Smoking
- Addictions

KAREN REES BA (Hons) GQHP and
NICOLA CROWLEY RGN DN GQHP
02920 890594 • 07999 482154
E-Mail: in2minds@hotmail.co.uk



Hypnotherapy is a safe, effective treatment characterised by deep relaxation.

During hypnosis, you remain in complete control of your actions, thoughts and feelings.

Our professional backgrounds in health and wellbeing provide us with the experience to offer treatments tailored to specific needs.

Based in Creigiau, we practise in calming, comfortable surroundings, allowing you to feel relaxed and at ease.

If you are committed to change, In 2 Minds can help you make positive lifestyle transformations, feel more confident or help you to overcome challenges often in just a few hours.

Please call 02920 890594 or 07999 482154 for an informal chat or email: in2minds@hotmail.co.uk

Say (Riverford) cheese for proper farmhouse taste!

OUR new Riverford cheese shop is now open, and we hope you'll be as pleased as we are about it!

The aim is to bring you a range of proper farmhouse cheeses all in one place, so you can explore the amazing variety on offer. They are all from small-scale organic producers, and come with bags of character and flavour.

Creamy, crumbly, oozy, blue...

Whether you fancy something lemony and soft like our High Weald Dairy sheep's milk cheese, or sharp and velvety like our Caws Cenarth Caerffili, we have something for

everyone. We'll also be adding more cheeses to the range as we discover them, so keep an eye out for new additions.

Something on the side?

The goodies don't stop there either. We've buttery organic Pimhill oatkakes, moreish chutneys like hot pear and ginger or ploughman's pickle, and refreshing organic grapes and apples so you can make the tastiest cheeseboard possible.

We hope you'll give it a try, and as ever, if you have any feedback, please let us know.

Happy seasonal eating! Contact Chris and Alison Moruzzi on their local office number, 01639 772846.

enjoy your 5 a day with a Riverford vegbox

organic veg, meat, dairy - none from our farm
vegetables around 40% cheaper than supermarkets



Local Office
Tel: 01639 772846

free delivery
www.riverford.co.uk
01639 772846



Save 25% on regular grooming at Care 4 Pets

CARE 4 Pets Grooming Salon at

Park Crescent, Barry, was opened almost three years ago.

Owner Alison Moya says: "We are delighted that our business has become incredibly popular over the past three years. Grooming charges start at just £18 and nail clipping and anal glands are included as standard."

"Today, we promote one of our trainee groomers, Kim Mills. Kim has been training for six months and we are offering all clients, new and existing, the opportunity to save 25% on the regular grooming price when their dog is groomed by Kim."

"Kim has shown a natural skill for grooming and clearly she adores dogs. We offer a discount on training grooming so that Kim may further her experience; Kim is constantly monitored

Why not invest in some quality leisure time for all the family?

HOT TUBS from £3,799

Staying at home can be so much fun!



Local supplier showroom in Pyle
01656 741 625
BOS Leisure, 12 Marshfield Avenue
Pyle, Bridgend, CF36 8RX
www.bosleisure.co.uk

Enjoy benefits of owning your hot tub!

TWO minutes from M4 junction 37 is Bos Leisure, south Wales' premier hot tub and swimming pool showroom.

A family business, established over 35 years ago, Bos has a reputation for quality products and reliable service.

With quality hot tubs starting at £3,799, Bos has hot tubs suiting every budget.

Displayed in the showroom are nine hot

tubs and one swimspa, in addition to two swimming pools.

There is always a 'wet' hot tub, giving customers the option to 'try before you buy'.

Bos also caters for commercial premises, clients including The Celtic Manor, Marriott Hotels, The Vale Resort and Village Hotels.

Please call to discuss your requirements on **01656 741625**.

and clients have been delighted with her results.

"Of course, we have five other fully trained groomers available, if clients would prefer an

experienced groomer.

Visit www.care4pets.co.uk, or telephone 01446 744633 for an appointment or further information.

Luxury bespoke at a price to surprise you!

FOR the past 31 years, JA Woodwork have been providing some of the finest homes in the Vale of Glamorgan and beyond with beautiful, bespoke kitchens, bedrooms and free-standing furniture.

We aim to supply to you a product comparable to the marquee brands, using the same supplies and raw materials – but at a fraction of the cost.

Our speciality is fixed-framed kitchens in any timber, hand painted or factory-finished, made to your specifications and design.

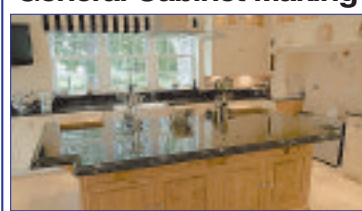
A luxury bespoke

offering at a price that will surprise you – all hand built in the Vale of Glamorgan: Sutton

Spring Road, Llandow Trading Estate, Cowbridge, CF71 7PB. Call: 01446 792695.

J. A. Woodwork
Established 30 years

Kitchens/Bedrooms General Cabinet Making



Craftsmanship v Cost Cutting - No Contest!

Tel. 01446 792695 • www.jawoodwork.net
Sutton Spring Road, Llandow Trading Estate, Cowbridge, CF71 7PB

THE FRIENDLY FACE OF GLAMORGAN LAW

AT their recent annual conference, the Glamorgan Law team identified personal, locally-based service and friendliness as the qualities which best represent the Glamorgan Law brand.

Glamorgan Law is a recent amalgamation of some well-known Vale of Glamorgan law firms, Larby Williams with Gwyn and Gwyn and Beech and Co, the roots of the Gwyn and Gwyn name go back nearly 150 years.

The entire firm at Glamorgan Law have dedicated themselves to represent these long-held values to the best of their ability and to continue to

strive to provide clients in Cardiff and the Vale (and beyond) with a highly-professional legal service, delivered with a smile.

Cowbridge and the Vale clients, both individuals and businesses, now have a full range of legal services – including residential and commercial property, wills and probate, family law, litigation and business law – available at Glamorgan Law's offices at The Pavilion, 60 Eastgate, Cowbridge.

For further help, please contact one of the team in the Cowbridge office – Richard Beech, Adrian Larby or Pamela Haines.



Glamorgan Law

Incorporating Larby Williams with Gwyn & Gwyn and Beech & Co lawyers.

**Richard Beech
Pamela Haines
Adrian Larby**

Telephone: 01446 771 742

E-Mail: info@glamorganlaw.co.uk

The Pavilion, 60 Eastgate, Cowbridge CF71 7EE

www.glamlaw.co.uk

Glamorgan Law LLP is authorised and regulated by the S.R.A. (537490)

Are you looking to advertise your business? Then why not advertise in a title that distributes over 42,000 newspapers weekly, covering Penarth to Porthcawl, and is available to read free of charge online? Contact us on 01446 774484 or email: gemsales@tindlenews.co.uk

Joyous Jubilee!

TL Computer Systems (Wales) Ltd Est. 15 years

SALES, REPAIR, SERVICE & SUPPORT
Service contract available Internet Cafe, home and business call outs.

Need to update your equipment or for faster connection?

40 Holton Road, Barry
Tel: (01446) 747702 Fax: (01446) 744699
www.tlscsystems.co.uk - shop online
email: mail@tlscsystems.co.uk

A small selection of craft supplies at

The Bead Room Boxes & Baskets

The Bead Room of Boxes & Baskets
Unit 19, Ty Kew Road East, Cardiff Road, Barry, CF61 1BB
01446 781276 www.beadroombarry.co.uk

THE COMPUTER MAN
Established 1996

• Computer upgrades & repairs
• Networking for small businesses

Tel/Fax: 01446 749118
Mobile: 07721 055 967
e-mail: andrew@thecomputerman.co.uk
www.thecomputerman.co.uk

VALE 4X4 LTD

SEMI-TRAILER, REMOVALS, WITH DISCOUNTS AND BACK-ROPE

DON'T FORGET
WE LINK AFTER ALL
KINDS OF VEHICLES
NOT JUST 4x4s

WHY NOT BOOK YOUR PRIDE & JOY IN AND HAVE A HANGOUT AROUND COFFEEHOUSE WHILE THE PORE OF BEING CARRIED OUT.

01446 773768
www.vale4x4limited.co.uk

Underfloor Heating?
Contact the Experts at
Heating & Plumbing Warehouse
Best Prices Guaranteed

Tel: 02920 461 964 or 07702 748 730
www.hpwarehouse.co.uk

COWBRIDGE CAR BUYER

Will Buy Any Car,
Hassle free,
Saves PX, or selling privately
Top prices, paid cash

MYLES BROWNING
07769508517

Morel Street pays tribute to monarch



ABOVE:
The Morel Street grown-ups celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

RIGHT: The Morel Street children enjoying their day.



MOREL STREET in Barry was a hive of excitement last Saturday (June 2), as family and friends came together to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in style.

Family members of Rudy Matthews, who passed away a year ago aged 90, gathered together in his memory, and in a noisy, yet glorious, celebration of her Majesty's 60 years as our monarch.

With the front windows of 75, Morel Street, adorned with pictures of the Queen, some 40 family members and friends enjoyed the historic event with a tea party in the garden.

The overcast weather did not dampen the excitement.

The screams and cheers of the young children could be heard streets away as they proudly waved their flags and enjoyed the atmosphere.

Glasses of bubbly were raised for a toast to the remarkable life of our Queen.

Mrs Carol Horton, party organiser, said that she was proud to have seen the Queen's coronation on a black and white television as a six-year-old, and even prouder to have been able to share the moment again, 60 years on. GH

Jubilee day at school



ABOVE: A fun Jubilee day was celebrated at Rhws Primary School.

RHWS Primary School celebrated the Jubilee in style with a fantastic day

throughout the school.

Pupils from nursery to year-6 held an open morning for parents to come into class to work with their children and to join in with the celebrations, including a range of Queen-related lessons!

Pupils came to school dressed in Royal costumes and the colours of the flag. The day culminated in a Royal street party.

KB

Royal day out at the Heathers



RESIDENTS in Barry gathered at the Heathers last weekend to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations and, as you can see in the photographs provided by Kirsty White, even the 'royal family' made an appearance, complete with the Queen's famous corgis. Kirsty said of the day: "Even my old nan, Mrs Murhy (pictured top), joined in!"

RESIDENTS PARTY IN THE STREETS

GEM photographer Glyn Evans caught these images of the Jubilee celebrations in Llancafarn last weekend where residents young and old, two-legged and four-legged, came out to sample the fun (and food) and to honour the Queen's reign.

PHOTOGRAPHS by GLYN EVANS

Other pictures are
available from this event.

Pictures can be purchased
by contacting:

e-mail ffotoimage@tiscali.co.uk
telephone 07791 228684.

Visit our studio in the Wool Barn,
Verity's Court, Cowbridge.



Jubilee smiles



PHOTOGRAPHS by MIKE WILCOCK

THE weather may have been a disappointment on Bank Holiday Tuesday, but that didn't deter the residents of Cowbridge who flooded into the Duke of Wellington and Holy Cross Church to take part in the Jubilee fun. The smiles on their faces say it all!



Joyous Jubilee!



Brian & Mike Hughes Farriers

Fully registered



Established
36 years by family
run professionals

**SPECIAL CARE FOR
LAMINITIS CASES**

Call Pencoed (01656) 865012
The 'Horsepower' Specialists!

Nail its

Bringing health back
to your nails

£15 Package

which includes a
Luxury Manicure & Pedicure

Please contact Sally Ann on:

0757 281128

15 years qualified Nail Technician

Home visits to suit you

Perfections



**DRY CLEANERS,
TAILORING &
ALTERATIONS**

2 Suits Cleaned for £14

4 Garments for £14

(Terms & Conditions apply)

OPEN: Mon - Sat 8.30am - 6.30pm

180 HOLTON ROAD, BARRY CF63 4HN

01446 700256/07889 987078

ORIENTAL DINER

www.orientaldiner.co.uk

Authentic Peking & Cantonese Cuisine

Takeaways available

Special June/July Promotion

Every Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and
Thursday evenings

**EAT AS MUCH AS
YOU LIKE BUFFET**

Only **£8.90** Adult

£4.90 Child (under 140cms)

(Normal price is £11.90 adult & £6.90 child)

Not valid with any other discounts or offers

Friday and Saturday

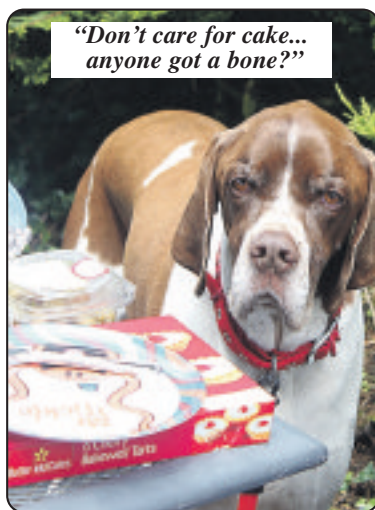
Adults **£12.90** Child (under 140cms) **£7.90**

01446 748811

10 Broad Street • Barry • CF62 7AA
(Please ring during opening hours)



"Don't care for cake...
anyone got a bone?"



You can now read your
GEM online - just visit
www.cowbridge-today.co.uk!
You can also find us on
Facebook and follow
us on Twitter -
[facebook.com/gemnews](https://www.facebook.com/gemnews)
or @gem_news

Joyous Jubilee!

Jubilee celebrations: Barry and Penarth



GEM photographer Andy Wick was out and about in Barry and Penarth over the Diamond Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend and was on hand to catch the celebratory moments pictured here.

Andy visited the celebrations at Woodland Drive and Plassey Street, Penarth (labelled WD and PS) and Canon Street in Barry (CS), where he caught the festivities in full swing, including live musicians (bottom right) and party treats (above and below).

PHOTOGRAPHS by ANDY WICKS



Classic vehicles are now heading to Barry

THE Barry Festival of Transport on Sunday, June 10 will see more than 150 heritage and classic cars come to the seaside town.

The cars are all privately owned and will be fascinating for all those interested in the history of the motor car.

The event is free and runs all day from 10am to 5pm on Sunday at The Waterfront, Hood Road, Barry.

Visitors will see iconic British cars from a bygone age, but there are also a number of classic big American automobiles.

Mike Taylor, chairman of the festival organisers, said: "We have a fantastic range of cars coming to Barry and, after last year, which was spoiled by rain, we are hoping for a bumper turnout."

"They are all lovingly restored and many of the car-owners bring their families along, so it's also a great social gathering. The cars will be joined by a few commercial vehicles, motorbikes and up to 40 buses, especially Welsh ones, from a collection at the Bus Depot in Barry, which will be open to the public on Broad Street, Barry."

"There will be at least nine cars from the 1930s - all over 70 years old, including two Austin Ruby 7's two Morris 8's a Riley Kestrel, a Morris Oxford, a Ford, a Humber 12 and a Wolseley."

Sarah holds the Olympic torch aloft through her home town



ABOVE:

Sarah Aston carrying the Olympic torch.

SARAH ASTON, a member of the Welsh Wizards skittles team, was nominated to be an Olympic torchbearer on Saturday, May 26 in Barry.

Sarah ran the 300 metres between Whitwell Road and Port Road. Lots of friends and family were there to cheer her on.

She was nominated for her fundraising efforts for Cancer Research UK. Sarah and The Welsh Wizards Skittle Team have been organising events for the past seven years.

The team is made up of 20 local residents who decided to give up some of their spare time to organise events.

They were inspired by Rachel Bourke from the ShootOut Club, who also runs marathons in aid of Cancer Research UK.

Last year, they raised more than £4,000, and each year they aim to achieve at least the same as the previous year.

Following the closure of The Three Bells, the team approached Trevor to see if they could arrange their monthly meetings at The Master Mariner, and have been there since November on the last Sunday of every month.

Sarah, a 43-year-old from Barry, works full time at Cardiff Airport

at the Change Group, and until recently was a foster parent.

A friend said: "She also suffers from Crohn's Disease, but, despite this, she is always busy, giving up her spare time organising bucket collections, car boot sales, pub crawls, music events, duck races and even hobby horse races."

"She also takes part in The Race 4 Life every year."

Speaking after carrying the torch, Sarah said: "It was an incredible day that I will remember for the rest of my life."

"I was thrilled to be nominated and honoured to be chosen to run with the torch in my home town."

"Although it was a relatively short distance, to me it felt like a lifetime! I am not one to enjoy the limelight."

"This honour has encouraged me to continue with our efforts to raise funds for a charity that is close to my heart."

"My schedule is already packed with visits to local schools and community groups, who are eager to share the excitement of the torch and hear all about the day."

"I will treasure the torch and experience forever."

International
Glaucoma
Association **iga**
**ADVERTISEMENT
FEATURE**

NATIONAL GLAUCOMA AWARENESS WEEK

JUNE 11-17, 2012

anette dobbs OPTOMETRIST

We offer a highly professional, personal and friendly service.

- Eye Examinations
- Spectacles
- Contact Lenses

40 Tynwydd Road, BARRY
Tel: 01446 735130



LEFT: Jones & Jones Optometrists, which provides the highest standards of eye care, examinations, contact lenses, and spectacle lenses, including a wide range of top designer makes – such as Gucci, Givenchy and Ted Baker.

Jones & Jones SPECIALIST FAMILY EYECARE

BETWEEN 75 per cent and 90 per cent of all your sensory information about the surrounding environment is visual.

The process of converting light into an electrical signal that your brain can interpret is a fairly complex one that involves millions of highly specialised cells only found in the eye.

Despite this, many

people take their vision for granted and neglect their eyecare.

Considering the prevalence of serious eye disease, 0.3 per cent of the under-50s and over 25 per cent of the over-70s think getting a regular eye check is really important.

For the over-60s, the main three culprits are glaucoma, cataract and macular degeneration.

All of these eye diseases are treatable if caught early enough, but the problem is that they have a gradual onset and tend to creep up on people.

By the time vision is noticeably affected, substantial irreversible damage can occur.

Led by Dr Adrian Jones, who is one of the leading optometrists in the UK, Jones & Jones Optometrists are able to provide specialist eyecare that is currently not available in most high street opticians.

As well as ordinary private and NHS sight tests, we specialise in: Glaucoma diagnosis and treatment; acute eye problems, such as red eyes and flashing lights and floaters; watery and dry eye assessments; DVLA drivers' assessments and contact lens fitting and aftercare.

Where most opticians have to refer their patients to hospital, Dr Jones is able to provide a comprehensive, gold standard diagnosis, treatment and follow-up for common eye problems.

In conjunction with our specialist clinical services, we also offer personalised dispensing service with a huge range of frames.

So whether you are on a budget or want something a bit special from our extensive designer collections, there is always something to suit.

We only supply high performance lenses from top manufacturers, such as Hoya, Nikon and Shamir; our direct computer links with the manufacturing plants mean we can show you exactly what your lenses will look like before ordering, and provide a real time estimate for delivery.

If you, or someone you know, is concerned about an eye problem, why not get specialist help and advice? Book an appointment on 01446 400015, or visit us online at www.jonesandjones.org.uk.

Chris Williams

BSc(Hons) MCOptom
Optometrist &
Contact Lens Practitioner

On-site laboratory
Cerium Coloured Overlays
& Precision Tinted Spectacle Lenses.
Proven to help with specific reading difficulties

Newton House, East Street, Llantwit Major
01446 790590

O'Sullivan Opticians a full range of eye care

AT O'Sullivan Opticians, we pride ourselves on patient care and customer service.

We are an independent optometric company, with three practices based within the Vale of Glamorgan at Barry, Cowbridge and Rhosce.

Our optometrists are fully Welsh Eye Health Examination (WEHE) accredited and Mr David O'Sullivan, who is the

Optometric Advisor to Hywel Dda Health Board, is also fully Low Vision, SchoolVision and SportsVision accredited.

Glaucoma and other ocular conditions are screened as standard during every examination; and with our retinal photography service available in our Barry and Cowbridge practices, our optometrists can monitor each patients' optic disc more closely.

O'Sullivan Opticians
Cowbridge Eye Clinic
Tel: 01446 772719

We are proud to
present our
New Look Practice
and new designer
brands, including
Oakley GB
2012 Sunglasses

Come and have a look, or log onto
www.osullivanopticians.co.uk

89 Eastgate, Cowbridge
Telephone: 01446 772719

**Barry Centre
Limited**

STEPHANIE EVANS,
BSc (Hons) MBCO

- NHS Eye Examinations.
- Home visits available.
- One hour service for most prescriptions.
- Excellent selection of Childrens frames... Barbie, Action Man, etc.
- Full range of frames from budget to designer.
- All types of contact lenses fitted.
- Full after care service and accessories.



OPEN SIX DAYS A WEEK

BARRY 01446 745606
87 Holton Road, Barry

Dior
POLICE
DIESEL

TED BAKER
LONDON

NICOLE FARHI

LIPSY
LONDON

**DOLCE &
GABBANA**

GIVENCHY

CONVERSE

GUCCI



For eyecare that is
as *individual* as you.....

JONES & JONES
OPTOMETRISTS

- Private & NHS Sight Tests
- Specialist Meet & Treat Clinics - Acute Eye Problems
- Glaucoma Diagnosis & Treatment
- Dry & Watery Eye Assessments
- Home Visits
- NHS Spectacles Available (with NHS Voucher)



10 High Street, Barry, CF62 7DZ

01446 400015

Visit us online: www.jonesandjones.org.uk



CADOXTON BOWLERS' MUNRO CUP SUCCESS

CADOXTON hosted a Munro Cup game with Llantwit Major and completed a successful win.

Graham Brown, who was in superb form, had a very comfortable win on his rink against Neville Young. They conceded shots on just four ends, whilst compiling shots steadily throughout the game. Gil Powell came on as substitute when Steve Clarke became ill with four ends left.

Kelvin Chedgoy skipped an up and down match against Mike Aplin. The home side took a 7-0 lead after five ends, but five ends later they were one shot down at 7-8. The score moved on to 11-9 but two ends later it was reversed again to 11-12. With the scores level, a 'three' on the penultimate end gave the home side the lead once more, which was reduced by one on the last.

Don Kuhnell's rink had a tight match against Steve Booker. An early 'four' gave the home side an advantage, but once this was matched with singles the advantage to either side was not more than two throughout the remainder of the game. On the 15th end the game was tied at 12-12, the advantage then went to the visitors with two more singles to make ten, in total, for the night. A single on the last left the difference of one in Llantwit's favour.

Howard Craven also had a fairly even game against Danny Ahearn; up until the 12th end, when the scores were level at 10-10. However, during the remainder of the game the visitors took command with two 'three's and three singles, whilst only two

were scored against.

SCORES: S Clarke, L Adams, J Sugden, G Brown 25 - 6 K Williams, D Lancaster, A Hayes, N Young; T Bishop, D Fanning, G Davies, H Craven 12 - 19 J Crane, G Merchant, N Parry, D Ahearn; J Stacey, M Mathews, J Stewart, D Kuhnell 13 - 14 T Ingroville, G Williams, D Johns, S Booker; R Knight, G Solomon, L Davies, K Chedgoy 15 - 13 C Colling, A Horgan, E Sparks, M Aplin. Final score: 65 - 52.

CADOXTON V MURCH - FRIENDLY

Cadoxton and Murch played this friendly match prior to the league programme starting next week.

It ended with two winning rinks and one tied for the visitors. However, the overall result went to Murch by just one shot.

Howard Craven skipped his rink to win handsomely against what looked a strong rink, skipped by Colin Garland. The advantage after 17 ends was 22 shots, but this was reduced over the last four ends by nine shots.

Kelvin Chedgoy found Roger Mauchline too strong after a close start, 4-6 after six ends. A 'four' started a run for the home side which only allowed the visitors a 'two' and three singles during the remainder of the game.

Don Kuhnell's four struggled to find it during the first four ends to go 1-5 down against Colin Grant. By the seventh end the scores were level and the visitors went on to lead by one after 11 ends. The home side then took command during the next six ends by scoring ten against two. A

recovery, including a 'four' on the 19th, brought the scores level, until a single broke the run on the penultimate end. A two on the last reversed the advantage.

Graham Brown's rink came up against Bob Hill's rink in a close game. For most of the game they were slightly in front. Three winning ends for the visitors reversed a three-shot deficit to a three-shot advantage by the eighth end to bring the scores level.

Five wins from the next six opened a three-shot lead for the home side. A 'five' on the next regained the lead. The three-shot advantage was still held going into the penultimate end, but a 'four' gave the home side hope of a win before a single made the final outcome a tie.

SCORES: P Ellis, W Vaughan, J Crout, H Craven 27 - 14 M Warman, R Pemberton, J Mansfield, C Garland; G Solomon, J Sugden, W Eadie, G Brown 20 - 20 K Crouch, G Russell, J Evans, B Hill; T Bishop, L Cundliffe, D Brook, D Kuhnell 22 - 21 S Salvidge, G Lane, I Robinson, C Grant; D Tuck, H Hellyar, L Davies, K Chedgoy 9 - 24 D Poole, P Venn, M Hughes, R Mauchline. Final score: 78 - 79.

CADOXTON 'A' V MILLWOOD 'A' - SVL
Unfortunately, Millwood omitted to put this match on their fixture list, and did not turn up for the game at Cadoxton.

DK

CRICKET CLUB HAVE SUPPORT FROM CJ!



ABOVE: Sully Centurions Cricket Club are grateful to CJ Contract Travel for their sponsorship for the 2012 season. The picture shows Centurions' Director of Cricket Jamie Sylvester with some of the junior players after receiving their new sponsored sweaters from Chris Mort of CJ Contract Travel.

Tennis winners



OVER 20 years ago a stalwart lady of Dinas Powys Tennis Club, Ruth Tamlyn, died through cancer.

She left a pair of silver salvers to the club and for the past 23 years there has been an annual ladies' tennis tournament in her name.

This year's tournament was played last month and although windy, the sun shone and 25 ladies played some fine tennis.

Seven junior members played for the first time and two of them won the tournament - Olivia

Hamzelou and Libby Smith. All showed potential of strong and thoughtful play.

In the final, Janet Kennedy and Veronica Palmer put up good opposition but the youngsters had more energy and guile.

Nan Thomas, a friend and team member with Ruth, presented the salvers before supper.

Thanks to Judith Meddins (captain), Angela Rankin and Keith Hudson for their help in a successful evening.

NW

Lions cap off good season with win

Park Lions under-14s finished the season on a high note, beating Sully B 6-1.

Sully B performed well, making the Lions work hard to achieve their victory.

After the match the Lions made their way to McDonalds to celebrate.

The players of Park Lions under-14s would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to Glynne Harrihy (coach and manager) and Neil Williams for providing the McDonald's meals.

The Park Lions under-14s squad: Adrian

Krahulec, Conor Froud, Ajay Harrihy, Brandon Froud, Louis Froud, Sam Lewis, Mathew James, Gabriel Cleary, Adam Hazelwood, Ethan Shaw, Osian Bowden-Morgan, Ben Jones, Ryan Miller, Rhys Williams, Jacob Halliday.

The squad and manager Glynne have developed enormously this season.

The support provided by Biology has enabled the team to progress and move forward and their help and generosity has been widely appreciated.

EH

**FREE
FIVE YEAR
WARRANTY ON
ALL HEARING AIDS
THROUGHOUT JUNE**

Hearing Aids from your local hearing centre

Scott Wroe Hearing Centre is an Independent hearing aid practice that has been established in Penarth for over 8 years.

The Centre has access to the very best hearing aids on the market and due to the standards and dedication of the practice it has received recognition by becoming a 5 Star Phonak Approved Centre and the first hearing practice in the UK to become a Widex Approved Centre.

All our hearing aids are provided on a 30-day free trial basis enabling our clients to test them with family and friends before any financial commitment and importantly we take the time to work with you to solve the specific difficulties you are having with your hearing.



WE PROVIDE:

- Independent Advice • Full hearing assessments
- Hearing Aids available from the world's leading manufacturers
- 30 day Free trials on all hearing aids • Service and adjustments
- Repairs and Remakes to all models
- Ear moulds, Ear defenders and Music plugs
- Batteries and accessories • Full Aftercare Service



For more information or to arrange your free appointment

Please call **02920 707760**

I Station Approach, Penarth, CF64 3EE

(Free Parking available opposite the shop)

BEHIND CASTLE WALLS, PUPILS GET A GLIMPSE OF A VICTORIAN CHILDHOOD



YEAR-4 children at All Saints Church in Wales Primary School have been learning about the Victorians and, to enhance their studies, they enjoyed a recent visit to Cardiff Castle.

They were given a tour of the buildings and they discovered what life was like for the Marquis of Bute's children growing up in the Castle in Victorian times.

They were fascinated by the family portraits, which showed that young boys wore dresses in those days!

The children dressed as maids and grooms and spent a session in the education room, where the education officer introduced them to a range of Victorian artifacts and invited them to guess what they were used for.

They gained a wonderful insight into Victorian life and their teacher, Deputy Head Clare Lewis, warmly thanked the staff and the education officer at Cardiff Castle for a fantastic hands-on history session. LM



NEWS IN AND OUT OF CLASS FROM ST CYRES SCHOOL

Years 7-8 make Vale finals

YEARS 7 and 8 boys and girls teams at St Cyres school, both made the Vale finals at Penarth Windsor Tennis Club.

The girls team of Victoria Sweetman, Molly Owen-Ffoulkes, Millie Baston, and Carys Allen won all their singles and doubles matches against Cowbridge.

They then had to face a really strong Stanwell side in the final who won comfortably. However, to make the final was a tremendous achievement.

The boys team of Sam Roberts, Luke Davidson, Jack Thomas, and Jon Cummings beat Barry Comprehensive and Bro Morgannwg, winning all their matches. They also faced Stanwell in the Vale finals.

Despite losing both their doubles and two singles matches, it was a tense final with some outstanding tennis from

both sides. Once again, Stanwell were victorious but the St Cyres team should be proud of the excellent tennis they played to make it such an exciting final.

Our thanks go to Ben Williams for organising the competition and to Penarth Windsor for hosting.

Under-15s take Cardiff and Vale title

THE Cardiff and the Vale Schools' Football Association under-15 (year 10) cup final was played at Bryn y Don in Dinas Powys recently.

The St Cyres team has reached the final every year and has won the cup on two previous occasions.

This year, a strong Cowbridge team provided the opposition.

During normal time, both teams went close to snatching victory but neither could make the decisive score to break the deadlock.

The match was even-

tually settled with a penalty shoot out. The team captain, goalkeeper Jake Keating, saw two opposition kicks go wide of his posts.

St Cyres, in the meantime, had only missed one attempt. At 3-3 and with one kick remaining, striker Junior Scott stepped forward. Junior held his nerve, placed the ball on the spot and hammered it to the keeper's left.

St Cyres 4, Cowbridge 3. Congratulations to the whole squad, Cardiff and Vale Champions 2012.

Donate and decorate!

Sixth form students have been busy producing wearable works of art as part of Voluntary Arts Week and the 'What's in your Window?' campaign?

Using a selection of donated shirts from Oxfam Boutique on St Marys Street, students



ABOVE: The St Cyres under-15 champions.

have cleverly transformed the original appearance and function.

The decorated shirts are inspired by famous artists, including Gustav Klimt, Salvador Dali and Banksy, with a few lesser-known, such as the musician Ronnie Wood and the iconic El

Greco.

The media used has ranged from textiles, paint, printmaking and collage to create a wide variety of styles that generate quite an impact in the current window exhibition.

Thanks to the students who volunteered their time; Josh

Duffield, Connor Mackenzie, Charlotte Gonthier, Hannah Tucker-Wilson, Olivia Richards, Sarah Vanner, Sara Rahman, Rosa Greenburrows, Joel Trew, Keira Brangham, Lucas Valvo, Raymond Wong and Mr Brown.

Ramblers enjoy a stroll through Gloucestershire

LEADER Phil was joined by 13 Penarth & District Ramblers on a recent trip to Gloucestershire.

They began from the delightful village of Frampton on Severn. A welcome strong but warm wind was prevalent throughout the day as the group set out through some pretty woods to cross farmland on their journey to the Severn Estuary coast.

From there, they watched the tide come in, then ebb whilst walking part of the Severn Way, the long-distance footpath that travels from the source of the River Severn in Plynlimon in the wilderness of mid-Wales to the mouth of the Severn at Bristol.

During their journey they spotted lots of wildfowl, including shelduck, and at lunch time they sat on the river bank to enjoy the views.

Admiring the lovely parish of Arlingham, they continued through the

picturesque villages of Pridding and Framilode, and near Saul the group passed through the disused canal to eventually join the Gloucester and Sharpness canal, which for most of its length runs close to the River Severn.

Following the canal the group reached the swing bridge car park and made their way back into Frampton to enjoy the hospitality of the local inn, where a cooling drink was much appreciated before the journey home.

On June 9, meet at 9.40am at Llantwit Major bus station to catch the 9.55am bus to Ogmere-by-Sea for the 12-mile linear modford walk back to Llantwit Major; contact Barbara on 01446 794313.

On June 14, the summer evening stroll will leave Cogan Leisure Centre at 7pm, for a five-mile easy walk at Cardiff Bay; contact Pam on 029 2025 5102.

JOY STRANGWARD

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 5:00PM 13 June 2012

Vale of Glamorgan Council
 H4U Housing Association
 Newydd Housing Association
 Gildred/West
 Vale and Pen Trecy Association



To apply call the hotline, e-mail us at
HOMES4U@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk
 or apply in writing to:

Vale of Glamorgan Council
 Legal, Public Protection and Housing Department
 Civic Offices, Holton Road, Barry CF63 4RU or
Newydd Housing Association
 121 Broad Street, Barry CF62 7AL

ARTHUR DAVIS COURT, BARRY (2)

H4U reference 397485
Suitable for a single person over 55 - no pets
 • Studio apartments x2
 • Ground floor
 • Gas central heating
 • Double glazing
 • Scheme Co-ordinator
 • Communal access
 • Gardens
 Rent £93.89 per week including service charges

AWBERY HOUSE, BARRY

H4U Reference 201238
Suitable for a mature single person or couple - no pets
 Preference given to tenants with an excellent tenancy history.
 • Two-bedroom flat
 • Upstairs with lift
 • Central heating
 • Double-glazing
 • Communal gardens
 Rent £95.39 per week including water charges

BUTTRILLS WALK, BARRY

H4U Reference 202945
Suitable for a family
 • Three-bedroom house
 • Central heating
 • Double-glazing
 • Gardens
 Rent £96.39 per week including water charges

CAERNARVON GDNS, BARRY (2)

H4U Reference 203432
Suitable for a single person or couple over 40 - no pets
 • Two-bed upstairs flats
 • Central heating
 • Double-glazing
 • Communal gardens
 Rent £81.23 per week including sewerage and water charges

CAREW CLOSE, BARRY

H4U reference 669193
Suitable for a family
 • Three-bedroom house
 • Gas central heating
 • Double glazing
 • Garden
 • Parking
 Rent £80.56 per week including service charges

CRESSWELL COURT, BARRY

H4U Reference 206288
Suitable for a family
 • Two-bedroom house
 • Central heating
 • Double-glazing
 • Gardens
 • Water meter
 Rent £80.97 per week

DRYDEN TERRACE, BARRY

H4U Reference 207646
Suitable for a family
 • Three-bedroom house
 • Central heating
 • Double-glazing
 • Gardens
 Rent £93.90 per week including water charges

DUNLIN COURT, BARRY

H4U reference 972708
Suitable for a family
 • Three-bed maisonette
 • Gas central heating
 • Double glazing
 Rent £84.71 per week including service charges

GWYN JAMES COURT, PENARTH

H4U reference 1026235
Suitable for a single person over 55 - no pets
 • Studio apartment
 • First floor (no lift)
 • Gas central heating
 • Double glazing
 • Scheme Co-ordinator
 • Communal access
 Rent £105.45 per week inc. heating and service charges and water rates

MEIRION CLOSE, BARRY

H4U Reference 215978
Suitable for a single person, couple or small family - no pets
 • Two-bed upstairs flat
 • Central heating
 • Double-glazing
 • Communal gardens
 Rent £76.95 per week including sewerage and water charges

NORTH WALK, BARRY

H4U Reference 218176
Suitable for a family
 • Three-bedroom house
 • Central heating
 • Double-glazing
 • Gardens
 Rent £98.99 per week including water charges

PHILIPPA FREETH COURT, BARRY

H4U reference 1086368
Suitable for a single person or couple over 55 - no pets
 • One-bedroom flat
 • Second floor (no lift)
 • Gas central heating
 • Double glazing
 • Parking
 Rent £82.04 per week including service charge

SHAKESPEARE ROAD, BARRY

H4U Reference 223145
Suitable for a family
 • Two-bedroom house
 • Central heating
 • Double-glazing
 • Shower cubicle (no bath)
 • Gardens
 Rent £91.73 per week including water charges

SOMERSET ROAD EAST, BARRY

H4U Reference 223975
Suitable for a family
 Priority given to a family with four or more children
 • Three-bedroom house
 • Central heating
 • Double-glazing
 • Gardens
 Rent £101.02 per week including water charges

VERE STREET, BARRY

H4U reference 1090206
Suitable for a single person or couple
 • One-bedroom flat
 • Ground floor
 • Gas central heating
 • Double glazing
 Rent £77.43 per week including service charge

WINCHESTER CLOSE, BARRY

H4U Reference 228547
Suitable for a family
 • Three-bedroom house
 • Central heating
 • Double-glazing
 • Gardens
 Rent £101.02 per week including water charges

FEEDBACK

Address	Bids	Band	Reg.
Cresswell Court	45	Gold +	15/04/11
Edward Street	73	Gold	25/07/11
Edward Street	65	Gold	30/06/11
Harlech Gardens	15	Gold	12/04/12
Walker Road	28	Gold	18/01/12
Treboford	34	Gold	20/06/11
St Lukes Avenue	51	Gold	12/09/11
Tennysen Road	79	Gold+	06/10/11
Cem Parc	16	Silver+	06/03/12
Meirion Close	81	Gold	27/06/11
Munro Place	107	Gold	07/08/11
Pontalun Close	18	Gold	18/11/11
Severn Avenue	19	Silver+	12/03/12
West Walk	11	Silver+	06/05/12
Laburnum Way	88	Gold	06/05/11
Bedrice Road	93	Gold	24/06/11
St Garmen Close	51	Gold+	06/12/11
Thomas Court	35	Gold	26/01/12
Thomas Court	36	Gold	06/08/10
Campbell Court	35	Silver	14/08/11
Ffordd Elin	76	Gold	14/03/12
Dunlin Court	90	Gold	09/05/11
Ty Gwenta	28	Silver	06/12/11

Important information for existing and new council tenants

From April 2013 Housing Benefit Rules are changing for 'working age' tenants who live in Council and Housing Association properties. If you are of pension age this change will not affect you.

Deductions will be made from Housing Benefit claim when a claimant is living in a property that is classed as too large for them. There will be a 14% deduction for one extra bedroom and a 25% deduction for two or more bedrooms.

To calculate room needs for a client, one bedroom is allowed for each of the following:

- every adult couple;
- any other adult aged over 16;
- any two children of the same sex up to age 16;
- any two children regardless of sex aged under 10; or
- any other child.

Foster children are not included in the calculation.

Examples

A single person (of working age) living in a two-bedroom property
 The assessment of room need would be one bedroom, so a 14% deduction from their Housing Benefit would apply.

A couple (of working age) living in a three-bedroom property
 The assessment of room need would be one bedroom, so a 25% deduction from their Housing Benefit would apply.

A single parent or couple with a son aged 8 and a daughter aged 6, living in a three-bedroom property

The assessment of room need would be two bedrooms, so there would be a 14% deduction from their Housing Benefit.

A single parent or couple with two daughters, aged 12 and 6, and a son aged 4, living in a three-bedroom property

The assessment of room need would be three bedrooms, so no deduction would apply.

Please be aware of the above when making bids for properties in this advert as this may affect how much rent you pay.

You must be a HOMES4U member to apply for any of these homes.

When bidding for more than one property you will be asked to state your order of preference. All descriptions and other details are given in good faith and are believed to be correct but any potential tenant should satisfy themselves as to their correctness. Newydd is a charitable housing association.



**Lewis Street, Barry**

2 Bedrooms
Top Floor
Gas CH

Call Gail 01446 709943

£69,950

**Cwm Talwg, Barry**

One Bedroom Apartment
Superb Order, A Balcony
Refitted Kitchen/Breakfast Room

Call Gail 01446 709943

£74,950

**Porthkerry Road, Barry**

2 Double Bedrooms
West End, No Chain
Spacious Throughout

Call Rachel 01446 709942

£84,950



Chris Davies

Rhoose 01446 711900
Llantwit Major 01446 792020
Barry 01446 700007
sales@chris-davies.co.uk

award winning
estate agent Since 1989

ADVERTISE
YOUR PROPERTY ON
THIS PAGE

**Merthyr Street, Barry**

2 Double Bedrooms
Central Location
Converted Loft Space

Call Rachel 01446 709942

£89,950

**Clos Mancheldowne, Barry**

3 Bedrooms
Immaculate Presentation
Southerly Rear Garden

Call Gail 01446 709943

£154,950

**Barry Road, Barry**

3 to 4 Bedrooms
2 to 3 Receptions
Superbly Improved

Call Rachel 01446 709942

£199,950

**Pontypridd Road, Barry**

4 Bedrooms
3 Receptions, 2 Baths
Large Garden; Small Annexe

Call Rachel 01446 709942

£285,000

**Porthkerry Road, Barry**

7 Bedrooms (6 doubles)
4/5 Reception Rooms
Generous Gardens

Call Rachel 01446 709942

£290,000

**Meadowcroft, Rhoose**

Studio Apartment
Affordable Living
Ideal First Buy/Buy To Let

Call Jenny 01446 713005

£66,950

Lets!

Cei Dafydd, Barry - £475 pcm
1 Double Bedroom, Lounge/Balcony/Water View
Kitchen With Appliances/Parking
Sea Point, Barry - £485 pcm
1 Double Bedroom, Superb Channel Views, Barry West End Location
Chestnut Avenue, St Athan - £500 PCM
2 Bedrooms, Refurbished Kitchen/Diner, Additional Attic Room
Windsor Road, Barry - £525 pcm
2 Double Bedrooms, Redecorated Throughout, Gas CH & Upvc DG
Park Road, Barry - £550 pcm
2 Double Bedrooms, Modern Kitchen, Panoramic Views
Clos Ogney, Llantwit Major - £550 pcm
2 Bedrooms, Gas Central Heating, Enclosed Rear Garden
Cattwg Close, Llantwit Major - £550 pcm
2 Bedrooms, Rear Garden, Popular Location
Evans Street, Barry - £550 pcm
Two bedrooms, First floor bathroom, Enclosed rear garden
Shakespeare Drive, Llantwit Major - £550 pcm
Two bedrooms, First floor bathroom, Enclosed rear garden
Arthur Street, Barry - £575 pcm
3 Bedrooms, Recently Refurbished, Refitted Carpets
Nordale Rise, Barry - £575 pcm
Two bedrooms, Fitted kitchen,
Enclosed low maintenance garden
Meadow View, Barry - £575 pcm
2 Bedrooms, Bathroom/Shower, Kitchen/Brkd & Parking
Richard Street, Barry - £595 pcm
Three bedrooms, Downstairs shower room, Separate WC
Y Rhodfa, Barry - £595 pcm
Two bedrooms, En suite, Fitted kitchen with hob
Clos Tyniad Glo, Barry - £800 pcm
3 Bedrooms, Beautifully Presented, Bathroom & En-Suite
Maes Lindys, Rhoose Point - £825 pcm
4 Bedrooms, Vastly Improved, Stunning Conservatory
Heol Pilipala, Rhoose Point - £850 pcm
4 Bedrooms, Lovely Corner Plot, 2 Receptions & Kitchen/Brkd
St Donat's, Llantwit Major - £1,495 pcm
Four bedrooms, Family bathroom, Traditional features
Call today to book a free rental valuation
01446 792020
lettings@chris-davies.co.uk

SPAIN

**Fonmon Park Road, Rhoose**

3 Bedrooms
3 Receptions
Enclosed Rear Garden

Call Jenny 01446 713005

£145,000

**The Wheate Close, Rhoose**

3 Bedrooms
No Onward Chain
Private Rear Garden; Outlook

Call Jenny 01446 713005

£167,000

**Beaufort Way, Rhoose**

3 Bedrooms
2 Receptions & Conservatory
Showhome Presentation

Call Jenny 01446 713005

£179,950

**Heol Pilipala, Rhoose Point**

4 Bedrooms
Lounge, Diner & Conservatory
Immaculate Presentation

Call Jenny 01446 713005

£199,950

**Heol Pilipala, Rhoose Point**

4 Bedrooms
3 Reception Rooms
Cul-De-Sac Location

Call Jenny 01446 713005

£227,500

**Fontygary Road, Rhoose**

3 Bedrooms, Annexe
Superb, Private 70' Garden
Conservatory, Plenty of Parking

Call Jenny 01446 713005

£335,000

**El Algar, Murcia**

3 bed, 2 bath detached villa. Great views.
5 minutes walk to town, Murcia airport
15 minutes

Call Paul Freephone 0800 135 7503

£109,500

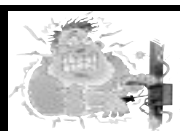


chris-davies.co.uk



DON'T DO IT YOURSELF

Call a professional
From our A-Z list



Aerials & Satellite

ONE VISION
DIGITAL AERIAL & SATELLITE SERVICES INSTALLATIONS

New and existing customers - ring for the latest FREE Sky offers
Half Price Sky for 6 months • Unlimited Broadband for 6 months
Free Unlimited Calls for 6 months • Free Cashback with Sky HD or Multiroom

✓ Domestic & Commercial
✓ Discounts For Cops
✓ 24 Hour 7 Days Service
✓ 12 Month Guarantee
✓ NDI Approved Installers

**FREE ESTIMATES
SAME DAY SERVICE**

Confederation of Aerial Installers
Certified? Police Checked?
Using Industry Benchmark Aerials,
Cables and Accessories?

ONE VISION ARE!
Wall Mounted TV Installation Specialists
- visit our website for examples

CALL Vale of Glamorgan 01446 439 306
PAUL WILLIAMS Bridgend 01656 349 281

www.onevisionltd.co.uk

Blinds and Curtains

3 for 2
Buy 3 blinds for
the price of 2

This fantastic
offer is for a
limited time only,
call us today

Probably Wales' Number 1 for:

- Blinds
- Shutters
- Awnings
- Canopies

solar blinds

SOLAR
North Road, Bridgend
Industrial Estate, Bridgend CF31 3TP
Tel: 01656 663800

DAYTONA
Unit 3F, Palmersvale Business Centre,
Palmerston Road, Barry
Tel: 01446 740842
www.solarsunshades.co.uk

The Aerial Man
(DAN GRACE)

- * Digital Aerials
- * Repairs & Upgrades
- * Affordable Prices
- * Reliable Service
- * OAP Discounts
- * Free Home Visits

01446 439 124
07818 413 451
www.dangraceaerials.co.uk

VALE DIGITAL
DIGITAL AERIAL & SATELLITE SERVICES

DIGITAL AERIALS FROM £30
SPECIAL OFFER!!!!
DIGITAL AERIAL COMPLETE INSTALLATION £65
EXTRA ROOMS £20 EACH

TV WALL MOUNTING & TV SET UP & TUNE IN SERVICE
ALL TYPES OF AERIAL & SATELLITES REPAIRED OR REPLACED
Tel. TIM on 07772206399 / 01446 793189 ANYTIME

COMPETITIVE PRICES - FREE ESTIMATES - OAP DISCOUNTS - 7 DAY SERVICE
COVERING ALL AREAS

VALE BLINDS (Wales) Ltd
SALE NOW ON

- Vertical Blinds • Roller Blinds
- Venetian Blinds • Roman Blinds
- Velux Blinds • Curtain Rails/Poles
- Repairs & Servicing Undertaken
- Perfect Fit Blinds • Intu Blinds

Tel: (01446) 710304 / 07792 733443

BARGAIN BLINDS
Quality Blinds At Bargain Prices

Unit 1D, Hepworth Park, Coed Cae Lane
Ind Est, CF72 9DX

BRIDGEND 01656 858 143
CARDIFF 02921 155009
LLANTRISANT 01443 237753

Barry Aerials
Aerial & Satellite Installations
TV Aerial & Satellite Dish Installation & Repair

- * Poor Reception Fixed
- * OAP Discounts
- * Additional TV Points
- * Digital Aerial Installations
- * Free Home Visits
- * Freesat Installations

LOCAL FRIENDLY PERSONAL SERVICE • ALL AREAS COVERED

Call us on 01446 439125

Builders

R.J.T
PLASTERING
& GENERAL
BUILDER

Flat/Fibre Glass, Roofs,
Damp Proofing,
Refurbishments.

Best Prices.
Free estimates.
01446 713737
or 07920 195775

BLIND SALE
OUR NAME IS OUR GUARANTEE

STARLINE
AWNINGS & BLINDS

'NEW SHOWROOMS' UNIT 3 & 4
WESTERN INDUSTRIAL ESTATE CAERPHILLY CF83 1BQ

www.starline-blinds.co.uk

TEL: (029) 2086 0631

Quality Blinds at Bargain Prices

Unit 1D, Hepworth Park, Coed Cae Lane
Ind Est, CF72 9DX

BRIDGEND 01656 858 143
CARDIFF 02921 155009
LLANTRISANT 01443 237753

**Perfect Fit
Conservatory Blinds**
Pleated
Venetian Blinds
Roman Blinds
Roller Blinds
Vertical Blinds
Wooden Blinds

bargainblinds@hotmail.co.uk
www.bargainblinds.co.uk

Building Services

MASONWISE BUILDERS
01446 742928

Established since 1979

- Extensions
- Disabled Grant Work
- Roofing & Repairs
- Conservatories
- Patio & Drives

No Job Too Small
Free Estimates
masonwise.builders@hotmail.com
44 Newlands Street, Barry

Glamorgan Property Maintenance

General Property
Maintenance &
Building Work

"We do it all"

01446 711023
or 07950 004049
info@gpmaintenance.co.uk

GRAB it
PLANT HIRE LTD

BUILDING CONTRACTORS & CIVIL ENGINEERS

- New Build • Extensions
- Driveways • Tarmac
- Drop Kerbs

GROUNDWORK CONTRACTORS

GRAB HIRE SERVICE

01446 700535
www.grabitplanthireltd.co.uk

Celtic Professional Builders & Plasterers

- Loft Conversions
- Extensions/Renovations
- Brickwork/Driveways
- New Build
- Kitchens/Bathrooms

Mobile: 07531 062775
Tel: 01656 711443

This Diamond Jubilee Year
advertise your company in

The GEM

01446
774484

3 GOOD REASONS

1 FREE Fitting
2 FREE Quotation
3 5 Year Guarantee

BLINDS & CURTAINS
3 Vertical Blinds
for only **£99**

Freephone:
0500 295192

Made in Wales.....Proud to be Welsh

Myrange Blinds
One offer per Household - Selected Ranges
Maximum 60" x 60"

Carpentry Services

RV
If its wood - we're very good!

CARPENTRY
Kitchens • Flooring • Stairs
Tiling • Maintenance • Patios

Call Peter 07749 617322

Carpet Services

VALE CARPETS
The Carpet Shop
that comes to you

100's of Carpet & Vinyl samples
Established since 1980
Also Carpet, Upholstery Cleaning

Tel: Paul Wright
01446 751152
07811 092477

STEVE SEGUST FLOORING
Carpet Fitting, Refitting
& Repair Service Available

~ Est 1987 ~

Choose from the comfort
of your own home.
Free quotations, fitting,
underlay and gripper.
All types of flooring
available with a huge range
of samples to choose from.
Best prices around.

Call any time...
01656 768120
or 07774 807111

BARRY & VALE DAMP & TIMBER TREATMENT
SOLVING ALL YOUR DAMP PROBLEMS

01446 420784 • 07970 642537

Computer Services

HD Computer Solutions

• All problems fixed
• Fast, reliable, on-site service
• Friendly advice freely given
• No fix, no fee
• Free callout
Tel: 01446 773158
07779 713604 anytime

AB COMPUTER SERVICES

TUTORIAL - BROADBAND
WIRELESS NETWORKS,
REPAIRS & INSTALLATION
For home or office
Tel: 07811 422 946
27 High St, Cowbridge
www.cowbridge-it.co.uk

Computer Problems? WE FIX THEM

Crystal-IT
01446 731231
Home Visits
Computer HELP
when YOU need IT
Crystal IT Services Ltd

Decorating Services

Cowbridge Decorating company
Interior & Exterior Work Undertaken

- Clean, Tidy & Reliable
- Insurance Work Undertaken
- uPVC Soffits, Fascias & Guttering
- Domestic and Commercial Free Estimates & Quotations

01446 771137
Cowbridge • Mobile: 07973 628842
e-mail: jdrummond137@gmail.com

Electrical Services

ELECTRICAL OPTIONS

Domestic, Industrial & Commercial Electricians

- Inspection, Testing & Certification
- Fire Alarm Systems
- New Fusesboards, Rewires, Sockets
- Lighting, Screens, Alarms, TV, etc.
- SOLAR PANELS
- ALL ELECTRICAL WORK UNDERTAKEN

0800 043 9125
www.electricaloptionsltd.co.uk

LAING Electrical Services
DOMESTIC, COMMERCIAL,
ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS
FIRE ALARMS, DESIGN,
INSTALLATION,
MAINTENANCE
N.I.C.E.I.C. Approved
Competitive prices
Mobile 07980 712777

Cleaning Services

1st CHOICE
CARPET/UPHOLSTERY
CLEANING
Professional, Reliable,
Established.
Prices you can't
afford to miss out on.
Plus...
Stain & Odour Removal
FREE
with carpet clean
07930 157952 or
01446 737695 / 739603

CCMS (Wales) Ltd
GUTTER CLEANING
01446 741460
07830 480569
latesthomes.co.uk

Planning to start your Summer Marketing?
Call our team now for advice and help on how best to promote your business.
The GEM
01446 774 484

Disposal FLOYDS ENVIRONMENTAL
• Septic Tank *
• Cesspit Emptying *
• Treatment Plants *
Floyds is a well established service
07970 809096
01656 722665
floyds@homecall.co.uk
www.sewageanddrainage.co.uk

STADRE DECORATING & PROPERTY MAINTENANCE
• PAINTING AND DECORATING
• QUALITY WORK
• COMPETITIVE RATES
• NO JOB TOO SMALL
• FREE QUOTATIONS
07791 752532

INSTALL ELECTRICAL LIMITED OFFER
Fuse Board Replacement
Only £349 inc VAT
• All electrical work undertaken
• Installations • Repairs
• Testing & Inspection
• Fault Finding
• Maintenance
01446 733773
07816 091425
NAPIT

ELECTRICAL REPAIRS
Washing Machines,
Cookers, Fridge/Freezers,
Tumble Dryers, Ovens,
Hobs, Hoods. Built-in or
Freestanding Appliances.
APPLIANCE CENTRE
01446 700206/730884

Dave Refsell
Electrical Services
Domestic Installer Scheme
Free Quotations
01446 751743
07743 500149
dmrefsell@hotmail.co.uk

Double Glazing

WINDOW AND DOOR REPAIR SERVICE
OVER 30 YEARS EXPERIENCE IN ALL ASPECTS OF
UPVC AND ALUMINIUM WINDOW AND DOOR REPAIR
Do you have any of the following problems...?
Misted-up Double Glazing • Broken Hinges
Seized Patio Door Rollers • Faulty door Locks
Seized Handles • Draughts • Broken Letter Box • Leaks, etc
If so phone for a free estimate and advice
FREEPHONE COWBRIDGE 0800 169 5171
We offer a competitive and friendly service to the Vale and surrounding area
TRY US FOR NEW UPVC WINDOWS AND DOORS
8 am - 8 pm (7 days)
Window Tec UK
• Window and Door Repair •

Electrical Services

PJ CLARKE BRIDGEND DOMESTIC APPLIANCE REPAIRS
Washing Machines, Tumble Dryers,
Dishwashers, etc. Est 1983
Most makes repaired
Machines **NOT** taken away
Repaired at your own home
Bridgend 659354 07974 120082

S.M. Vaughan
ELECTRICAL SERVICES
ALL ELECTRICAL WORK UNDERTAKEN
• Rewires • Sockets • Lights, etc
01446 734733 • Mob 07976 790096
Unit 11, Ty Verlon Ind. Estate, Barry

TELE-ELECTRICAL SERVICING
Specialist repairs in TV,
Video, DVD & Audio.
Installations, tuning
and set-up service.
Tel: (01656) 654156
or 07792 887835

Cowbridge & Vale Electrical R.J.B.
All electrical installation works carried out.
Emergency call-out, re-wires, sockets, lights, Security.
Mobile: 07885 347642
National Inspection Company for Electrical Installation Contracting
Approved Contractor

Lighting up Time
Electrical Maintenance Engineers
All aspects of electrical work undertaken
By our 17th ed. Qualified Engineers
'No job too small We can do it all'
For a free Quotation
Call 07568 059373

REFIT
(Established Family Business)
Double Glazing • Repair Specialists & Locksmiths
Why renew when you can repair!
Richard 07518 256743 or 01656 842414
www.refitlocksmiths.co.uk

STEVE MOLONEY
Double glazing repairs.
Hinges, handles,
misted up sealed units,
complete repair
service available.
Established 1979.
01656 783594
or
07877 558525

Garages

GARAGE DOOR SERVICES
The garage door specialists
All types of doors
supplied, fitted & repaired
Over 15 years experience.
Same day repairs.
07783 703366
01446 743181
www.gdsdoors.co.uk

Garden Services

NDP GARDEN and PROPERTY MAINTENANCE
Grass Cutting, Weeding
Shrubs & Hedges Trimmed,
Tree Felling, Fencing,
Patios, Turfing
Gutters & Facias Cleaned
Power Washing
Paddock Topping
• Free Estimates
• Reliable Family Team
01446 773935
or 07773 992704

The Green Factor Ltd
Free estimates, fully insured.
• Landscaping • Fencing
• Decking • Hedge Cutting
• Garden Clearance
• Patios and Paving
Call Paul on 01446
736525 or 07815 319427
WE ARE QUALIFIED,
RELIABLE AND LOCAL!

ONE MAN WENT TO MOW
But he couldn't
mow his
lawn, let
alone a
meadow!
Lawnmowers need
regular servicing,
so come to the
experts, Cardiff
Lawn and Garden at
Ely Bridge, Cardiff.
We offer advice,
sales and service on
lawnmowers and
garden equipment,
plus we'll collect and
return your serviced
lawnmower!
Tel: 02920 569311 www.cardiffawnandgarden.co.uk

Home & Garden Care Barry & The Vale Handyman Service
All garden maintenance:
Grass Cutting
Fencing Repairs
Low Maintenance
Garden Conversions.
No job too small, free quotes,
friendly advice. Great Prices
Andy Betts
Tel 07980 063087
01446 420059

Complete Garden Services
FENCING • DECKING • TREES FELLED, HEDGES
AND LAWNS • WALLS, PATHS AND PATIOS
Telephone: 01446 419428
or 07765 611753

RIVERLEN Horticulture
SALES • SERVICE • REPAIRS • SPARES
LAWN MOWERS • RIDE-ONS • CHAINSAWS
STRIMMERS • AND GARDEN ACCESSORIES
WINTER SERVICE SPECIALS
Ring for details
Most makes serviced and repaired
Collection service available
Vale Business Park, Llandow,
Cowbridge CF71 7PF
Tel: 01446 775602
HEDGE CUTTERS

MPN Windows
your local Network VEKA member
is recommended by Steve Davis.
We will beat any written quote like for like!
0% finance available / Buy now, pay next year
Special offer: Bevelled front doors
£499 if ordered by July 31st.
6 Windowsfitted from £1495
Doors fitted from £450
French Doors from £795
Conservatories from £3495
Composite Doorsfitted from £795
Ask about our trade
windows, doors &
conservatories
Garage conversions from
£4,500 completed
We fit flat roofs with a 25 year
guarantee
Free
Conservatory
Design Service
We supply & fit
Fascias, Gutters
& Downpipes
Amazing Offer!
Order your new vertical blinds with every full house
of windows and doors at a conservatory! (While
stock lasts and subject to sale)
M.P.N.
24/7
Repair
Service
available
• Windows & Doors
• Full Repair Service
• Free Vertical Blinds
• Wide range of styles & finishes
• 10 year guarantee
Bridgend Showroom: 10a Ewenny Road, Bridgend CF31 3HL 01656 648464 or 01446 439212 for the Vale
Cardiff Showroom: Unit 2, Leckwith Road, Cardiff CF11 8AP 02920 508770
Email: mpnwindows@aol.com www.mpnwindows.com

Arborwood Tree Care
Tree pruning • Crown lifting
Tree felling • Dangerous tree work
Pollarding • Dead wooding • Hedge cutting
Tree dismantling • Root pruning
Ground clearance
Call us for a friendly, free quote. Fully insured.
Tel: 07910 417471 or 01446 792262

Handyman Services

HOME MAINTENANCE
Plumbing, Carpentry, Tiling, Painting, Locks, Catches, Flatpicks, Outdoor Pressure Cleaning.
Free Quotes - Low Costs
07769 874668
01446 711008

Plastering Services

WP Plastering Services
All aspects of plastering, also building and maintenance work undertaken.
Call now for free quote.
Tel. 07915 390029

Plumbing Services

PAUL MARSHMAN
DOMESTIC PLUMBING SERVICE
Repairs • Installation
Tiling • Electrical
07876 506982
01446 740176 53440

Rubbish Removal**INSTALL SKIP HIRE LTD**

Mini, Midi & Large Builders Skips
Delivered & Collected

Discount Available on Hardcore Skips

DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL WASTE COLLECTIONS
(includes labourers)

Tipper Hire & Digger Hire Available

Unit 12F, Atlantic Trading Estate,
Barry CF63 3RF

Tel. 01446 421072

Email installskiphireltd@hotmail.co.uk

Your local Skip Co.
Possibly the cheapest Skips in South Wales

Open: Mon - Fri 7am - 6pm
Saturday 8am - 1pm

REMOVE RECYCLE RE-USE

Abacus Skip Hire

Your local skip-hire company
£10 off second skip if both ordered within same calendar month

	Mixed Waste	100% Wood/ or Stone
2 yard	£79	£65
4 yard	£105	£90
5.5 yard	£115	£105
8 yard	£155	£140
16 yard	£200	£180
16 yard (wood only)		£160

Clean Wood gate fees 0 ton
Commercial & Demolition Wood £18 per ton
Deliveries to site must have waste carrier licence.
Prices not inc. of VAT or permit, if required.

Tutors**TUITION**

Qualified & experienced teacher offering tuition of English, French and Spanish to both children and adults (beginners up to A-Level).

Tel: 01446 420035
or 07792 232357

Wanted

All MoT Failures and No Tax

£100 to £1,000

Collect (any distance).
02920 593732
07415 851192

SUTTONS Auto Salvage

Up to £150 paid on collection, for scrap, MOT failures, and tax expired vehicles. Also body shells and scrap metals collected. No wheels, no problem.
Tel: 029 2059 7887
07971 648596

Plastering Services

Cowbridge & Vale PLASTERERS
All Interior and Exterior work
Free Quotes
Tel. 01446 774899
0781 685 7935

GUY FORD Quality Plastering Service
No job too small
FREE QUOTES
07812093098

Plumbing Services

STAYWARM HEATING & PLUMBING
All Plumbing, Heating & Gas Services
Combi Boiler Installation and Repair Specialist
Servicing & landlord certified boiler changes & upgrades
302 146
Gas Cookers and Fires Fitted
Leaking/Burst Pipes
Boilers fitted from £1,250
Freephone 0800 6990013 • Mob. 07794 335053

B.R.H.

Oil, Gas & LPG Heating Repairs
Oil Tank Repairs, 24 hour Service
Log Burners, Solid Fuel, Chimney Lining Specialist
OFTEC & Gas Safe Registered
01446 461994 or 01656 657438
Call Mobile 07768 367298

M MARTYN PLUMBING SERVICES

Bathrooms, showers, radiators, outside taps, washers, power flush and any plumbing jobs.
07526 125982 or 01446 753503
No job too small. Free quotes. Fully insured

S.M. Vaughan

HEATING & PLUMBING - DOMESTIC & COMMERCIAL
• Boilers • Pipework • Radiators
• Gas Safety Certificates
• Fires Servicing • LPG Specialists
• Static Homes/Caravans/Boats
01446 734733 • Mob 07976 790096
Unit 11, Ty Verion Ind. Estate, Barry

GAM Plumbing & Heating

01446 735 681 or 07815 097 994 24hrs
Combination Boiler Specialist
Annual Boiler Service only £40
For all your plumbing and heating requirements
All Work Guaranteed, Fully Insured.
Fast, Friendly Service.
301616

DC Plumbing

• NO call out charge
• Flexible hours
• No job too small
Call Dave on:
Tel: 01446 413971
Mobile: 0779 263 0099

JOHN SARTAIN

Plumbing & Tiling

The GEM
01446 774484

01446 794266

CELTIC PLUMBING & HEATING

All aspects of plumbing and heating work undertaken
07973 785339
07956 887536

JW Bathrooms

• Plumbing • Tiling
• Plastering • Wet Rooms
Free estimates
No job too small
01446 745952
07852 673413

Pest Control**A.N. Pestguard**

NPCA qualified
All aspects of commercial and domestic pest control.
• Wasps Nests
• Rodents
• Nesting Birds
• Prevention
Call 07532 122280

Roofing Services**ROOFTEC ROOFING SERVICE**

New slate/ tile/flat roofs.
Also fibreglass flat roofs.
All aspects of uPVC guttering, fascias, downpipes, etc.
Chimney/ valley repairs.
House maintenance work carried out.
No job too small.
Guaranteed competitive rates.
Tel. (01656) 722593
Mobile: 07969 248688.
Free estimates
24 hour emergency call out.

Roofing Services**cfr ROOFING**

Roofing & Waterproofing Specialists
• FLAT ROOF REPAIRS & REPLACEMENTS
• SLATE & TILED ROOF REPAIRS & REPLACEMENTS
• FASCIA, SOFFITS & GUTTERING
• COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL ROOFING

BEFORE AFTER
Over 100 years of skilled tradesman experience in all aspects of roofing
For a FREE survey or quotation....
01446 775145
Visit us at www.cfrroofing.co.uk

01656 720551
07973 488806

Roofing specialists**S. MIDDLETON & SON**

We cover all aspects of roofing including Firestone EPDM Flat Roofing Rubber Systems
www.middletonroofing.co.uk

Silvey Roofing

• New Roofs/Repairs
• UPVC Guttering & Fascias
All new roofs covered by a 10 year insurance backed guarantee
FREE ESTIMATES
www.silveyroofing.co.uk

Removal Services**NICE MAN, CHEAP VAN**

(Luton Van with Tail Lift) - Best Prices

• Removals • Deliveries • Collections
• Office • Shop • Garage • Relocation

General Clearance:
• Houses • Garages • Sheds • Gardens
• Fully Licensed Waste Carrier

Tel: 01446 796622 or 02920 450118
Mobile: 07570 931487
www.discountvanman.co.uk

School of Motoring**Cats Eyes**

Driving School Ltd

• Lessons from £10.99 • Instructor training
• Learn from 14 years of age
• One week crash courses including test
• Automatic Vehicles now available

0800 0280 406
www.catseyesdrivingschool.co.uk

Tiling**Tilestyle**

Established over 23years

Martyn Hacker
SPECIALIST WALL AND FLOOR CERAMIC AND NATURAL STONE TILING

PROFESSIONAL, RELIABLE SERVICE
07816 668076 or 01446 792676
martynhacker05@hotmail.co.uk

Bonny Tiler

Wall & Floor Tiling Specialists
Full Bathroom and Wetroom installation

Professional, Friendly & Reliable Service
01446 796582 / 07854 168459
www.bonnytiler.co.uk

Wanted**Landow Metals**

LICENSED FACILITY:
STILL OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Enquiries 01446 792669 or 07966 171840

We take Cars, Scrap & Non Ferrous Metals.
Huge range of vehicle spare parts in stock.

SBS SALVAGE Ltd

BEST CASH PRICES FOR UNWANTED SCRAP
£1 to £100,000

Cars, Vans, Heavy Iron, Engines, Copper, Brass, Lead, Aluminium, etc ...

All vehicles are disposed of in a correct and legal manner.
07772 054534 or 01446 421034

Wanted**DH Solutions - Vehicle Traders**

WE BUY CARS, VANS, LORRIES & PLANT

£170 minimum

any vehicle with no MoT, more for vehicles with at least 3 months MoT in good working order

We specialise in rehoming low cost vehicles with low income families

FULLY REGISTERED WITH DVLA
FREE COLLECTION FROM ANYWHERE IN SOUTH WALES WITHIN 1 HOUR

Cash on collection or delivery.
All vehicle quotes are on complete vehicle basis with all factory components.
All unserviceable vehicles disposed of in a correct and legal manner.

Batteries & Catalytic Converters Bought
No wheels? No problem! Open 24 hours
www.scrapmetalvehicletrader.co.uk

07785 943145 or 08453 047117

SCRAP YOUR CAR LEGALLY

Avoid the cell - USE A&L!

WE COLLECT ALL CARS & VANS

VEHICLE RECYCLING & SCRAP METALS

We buy any: Car, Van, Lorry, Bus, Scrap Metal etc

UP TO £20,000 CASH PAID

We will beat any price locally for: Copper, Lead, Brass, Aluminium, Stainless Steel, Household Wire, Armour Cable, etc.

We collect: insurance or 3rd party writeoffs • Car Shells
Engines & Gearboxes

Call us today on
01446 701707
(24 Hours)

Family Notices

WILLIAMS Morgan Gwyn

Peacefully, on 31 May, in his sleep at St. Baruc's Ward, Barry Hospital, Morgan of Barry, beloved husband of Minty, dearly loved father and father-in-law of Huw and Debbie, Rhys and Claire, Ceri and Rachael, much loved by all his grandchildren.

Resting at the Private Funeral Home of W. James & Sons, Fommon, Funeral Monday June 11th, service and cremation 3pm at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road East, Barry. No flowers by request, donations in lieu if desired to Alzheimers Disease Society c/o Mrs. C. James, 11 Fommon Road, Rhosce, CF62 3DZ.

JEAVONS, Jo

It is with great sadness we announce the unexpected death of Jo, peacefully at home, on 26th May, 2012.

Loving wife to Colin, treasured mother and grandmother, who will be sadly missed by her family and friends.

Funeral at Barry Crematorium on 12th June, 2012 at 12 noon.

Family flowers only. Donations to MacMillan Nurses, c/o W A Brown, Funeral Directors.

McALLEN

(nee James)
Pauline

Devoted sister of Billy, Anne, Rosemary, June, Gill and Jenn, sister-in-law of Sue, Graham, Smudger, Norman, George & Geoff, auntie, great-auntie and great-great-auntie.

Loved by all and will be sadly missed.

McALLEN, Pauline

The funeral will now take place on Wednesday, June 13th, 2012 at St John the Baptist Church, Llanblethian at 2pm.

Donations in lieu of flowers may be made payable to UHW A6 Spinal Unit Endowment Fund, c/o Anwen Evans, Ward A6 UHW Cardiff.

TURRELL

Susan Anna (nee Chick)

It is with great sadness the family announce the death of Susan Anna, much loved wife of Chris, loving mother of Melissa, Paula, Carla and Kelly.

A devoted nanny to her ten grandchildren.

Treasured daughter of Maureen, sister of Marianne, niece of Gladys, sister-in-law to Nigel.

Funeral service at Holy Cross Church, Cowbridge on Monday, June 11th at 10.30am followed by cremation at Coychurch Crematorium.

Family flowers only. Donations in lieu of flowers may be sent to Pancreatic Cancer UK, 2nd Floor, Camelford House, 89 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7TW

Thomas David

Eira, Linda and family wish to thank friends and neighbours for their kindness and support during this emotional time.

Special thanks to Dr Kavanagh for the outstanding medical care and also to the team of District Nurses and staff at Boots of Llantwit Major.

Grateful thanks to John James of Fommon for his professional service.

Funeral Directors

W. A. Brown & Son

Funeral Directors

Contactable 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

• Funeral pre-payment plans

• Memorial masonry

Pembroke House,
College Street, Llantwit Major
01446 792 489

Park Independent Funeral Directors

• Local 24 hr dedicated phone line.

• Service chapel to seat 50 or 250 available.

Call us on 01446 421212
www.parkfunerals.co.uk
7 Tynewydd Rd, Barry, CF62 8HB

Est 1946 - 24 hour Service

W. H. PREENE & SON

INDEPENDENT
FUNERAL DIRECTORS

PRIVATE CHAPEL OF REST
PRE-PAID FUNERAL PLAN AVAILABLE

54 MAIN STREET, CADOXTON
Telephone 01446 420520

Cadoxton Funeral Home

SMITH Annie Mary

(nee Maddocks
of Stembidge Farm)

Passed away peacefully at home in Ledbury on June 4th aged 99.

Beloved mother, nan, great nan, aunty. She will be greatly missed by all her loving family and many friends.

Funeral at Llandow Church on Thursday 14th June at 12.00pm. Memorial service at Ledbury Parish Church on Friday 15th June at 10.00am.

Family flowers only please. Donations if desired for St Michaels Hospice or RNIB may be sent to R. W. Mann and Son, 51 West Street, Leominster, HR6 8EP.

Articles For Sale

Stanley Mirrored Sliding Wardrobe Doors

Complete with tracks, 2 doors sized 30" w x 89" h. Very good condition £60.

01446 711120

POOL TABLE

Pub style with coin-operated slot mechanism. Just been re-clothed. Beautiful item and 2 sets of pool balls and 4 cues, cue holder, proper dust cover and authentic lights to hang over table. Worth over £1,000.

Quick sale £400, no offers.

Tel: 01656 731545.

Brand New Brown Leather 3 Piece Suite

Cost £1500
Accept £440
Genuine reason for sale - can deliver

07909 821977

Motors For Sale

52 Plate Fiat Punto

Dynamic 1.2
3 Door, petrol, black, 86k, MOT & taxed to April 2013, careful lady owner.

£1,195 ono
Tel: 01446 775353

51 Reg Ford Fiesta

1.3 Flight
New MOT, one lady owner from new, 61k miles, v clean, low tax/ins, good on petrol.

£1,375 ono
01656 860855
07787 318847

House Clearance

ANDREW WILLIAMS
HOUSE
CLEARANCES
FULL/PART

Over 20 years experience. Sympathetic handling of deceased estates, used by estate agents and solicitors.

01446 409266
07885 251742

Angela's 'silver jubilee' at school!



PUPILS and staff at Rhws Primary School said a big 'thank you' to Angela Butchart, a long-serving member of staff, for 25 years working with various children in her role as mid-day supervisor and as pupil support.

Angela is a popular member of staff - kind and hard-working - who has helped so many children (and other members of staff!). She received her 25 years service award and a huge bouquet of flowers... Thank you, Angela... here's to your next 25 years at Rhws!

KB

Murchfield Hall focal point for community



The new officers of the Murchfield Hall management committee.

IT was all change at the Murchfield Community Association AGM when after eight years' service, Coun John Huw Williams stepped down and Coun John Fanshaw was elected chairman.

The retiring chairman was thanked for his dedication to the Association. Coun Williams, however, will not be taking it easy as he will play a leading role in preparing for the return of the Blues rugby team to the Arms Park next season.

Coun Williams said: "During the last eight years, I have seen the hall-use grow and become established as a significant focal meeting place for the community at large."

He paid tribute to the work of former treasurers Dr Joan Andrews and Elizabeth Millard and commented: "We were awarded grants for acoustic screens and new chairs. We financed a new CCTV system along with smaller items such as a microwave oven. The hall continues to be used by over a dozen regular groups."

The finances remained healthy but as always there are challenges ahead, especially considering the cost of

energy. Despite this concern, the management committee has again been able to hold rental costs.

The hall is the base for the Murchfield Youth Centre, offering all sorts of activities ranging from sport and leisure to issue-based workshops. Over 30 young people regularly attend an evening with three staff

to oversee and support them.

The new officers are: Coun John Fanshaw, chairman, Merryl Metcalf, treasurer, and Stephen Nottingham, secretary. Committee members include: Sylvia Miles, Coun Keith Hatton, Kevin Davies, Coun Val Hartley and Sharon Burke.

CF

Alfie top of the Welsh learners!

FORMER Wales rugby captain Gareth Thomas has won the cariad@iaith:love4 language series, after an intense week of lessons and linguistic and physical challenges.

The winner was announced during the final programme, which was broadcast live on S4C on May 31.

Actress Di Botcher, who starred in Belonging, Little Britain and Twin Town, came second.

Alfie topped a public vote on Facebook and there was a tie between both Alfie and Di when the nominations by their fellow celebrity learners were announced.

Among the celebrities

taking part in the series were tenor Wynne Evans, singer and model Lucie Jones, Game of Thrones star Robert Pugh and television presenters Lisa Rogers, Alex Winters and Lucy Owen.

For the past week, the eight took part in daily Welsh lessons, as well as competing in challenges including canoeing, portrait drawing and a game of water polo in coracles.

Last year's cariad@iaith:love4 language winner, actress Melanie Walters, was at the final to present the prize to the winner and to recall her memories of taking part in the 2011 series.

Tutors Nia Parry and Ioan Talfryn had been teaching the celebrity students all week.

Public Notice

GOODS VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENCE

A&L Vehicle
Recycling Limited
of

Unit 14e,
Atlantic Trading Estate,
Barry, Vale of Glam,
CF63 3RF

is applying for a licence as follows:

to keep 2 goods vehicles at the operating centre at

Unit 14e,
Atlantic Trading Estate,
Barry, Vale of Glam,
CF63 3RF

Owners or occupiers of land, (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehill Lane, Leeds, LS9 6NF stating their reasons, within 21 days of this notice. Representatives must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A guide to making representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's Office.

Situations Vacant

Quorum Associates Office Administrator

required
to work in our
Cowbridge Office.
Hours flexible.
Contact 01446 774493

Care 4 Pets

requires a dog walker,
pet sitter & home
visitor in Bridgend
& Cowbridge areas.
Apply: 01446 744633

The GEM

01446 774 484

Property

**SELL YOUR
HOUSE FAST
FOR CASH!**
For a confidential chat
about your options
call Sandy now on
01446 439196

Birthdays

Mary Brookman



Happy
80th
Birthday
June 9, 2012
With all our love.
X X X

Bethan Maryann Shanklyn



Happy 18th Birthday
12th June
Love you always, my GEM!

From Nan, Cai, Rich, Becky, Leon, Mike, Donna, Ryan, Ian, Jan, Gareth, Laura, Lily, David and all your friends. Have a brilliant day!

XXXXXX

Birth Notices

O'Sullivan
Opticians would
like to congratulate

Mrs Bethan McGovern

on the birth of her son,
FINNBAR, on May 19 2012,
weighing 8lb 8oz.



Romilly school youngsters star at Wembley!



On Saturday, May 19, Romilly Primary School football team, representing Cardiff City FC, played Martinshaw Primary School, representing Leicester City FC, at Wembley Stadium in the final of the N Power Kids' Cup.

The youngsters' prize in winning a final place consisted of a tour of Wembley stadium and the honour of the being flag bearers for the West Ham and Blackpool teams in the Championship play-off final.

It meant the boys walked out as a team to a full capacity stadium.

In a completely one sided game, which ended in a 0-0 draw, Romilly lost the Cup on a penalty shootout.

The game started, as it finished with Romilly dominating play, having 10 shots on target, ensuring that the Leicester goalkeeper was their best player.

The dominance was

so visible, that the Romilly goalkeeper only touched the ball once during the full game, for a goal kick!

The quality of Romilly's 'pass and move' game encamped them in the opponents' half for the majority of the match and only the outstanding performance of the Leicester goalkeeper kept the score at 0-0.

Although they lost the game the boys came out as winners, not only on the field, but off the field with their overall behaviour, conduct and attitude over the two days.

They were a credit to Barry, Romilly School and their parents.

Romilly school PE teacher, Mrs Dawn Dobbs was very proud and said: "I have loved every moment with the boys."

"They have been fantastic on and off the pitch. As a school we will celebrate their successes and talk about it for many years to come and I am truly proud to be a part of their achievement."

One proud parent, Scott Hopkins, told THE GEM: "The boys will

look back on the day with real pride.

"They were all winners and deserve a lot of credit for the way they handled the whole occasion as ambassadors of Romilly School."

Another parent, Nigel Lee, commented: "We are all immensely proud of the hard work and dedication that the boys have put in to win a place in the Wembley final."

"Even though they lost on penalties, they can hold their heads high, as they were the better team during the game and to achieve what literally is a boyhood dream at such a young age, is a reward in itself."

The parents said they wanted to thank teacher, Dawn Dobbs, for the time, love and care that she has shown to all of the boys' and the amount of hard work that she has put into an unforgettable season for them.

LADY captain Jo Kirkpatrick was delighted to welcome golfers from St Athan, Cottrell Park, The Grove, St Mary Hill, Newport and Royal Porthcawl for the 10-hole charity event at Brynhill.

All proceeds went to the lady captain's nominated charity - the Marie Curie hospice.

The very well-stocked cake stall and bottle stall proved extremely popular, as was the table of nearly new golf wear.

Results: Away winner - Maureen Anderson (St Athan) with 20 points over back 2; runner-up - Sally Kennedy (Royal Porthcawl); home winner - Glynis Gould, 21 points; home runner-up - Robbie Lee, 19 points; Anti-tear up winner - Alison Jones (Newport).

Other results: March 24-27, Easter Egg Competition: Winner - Carole Bumford, 33 points; runner-up, -

Shirley Lewis, 31 points.

March 31-April 3: Lady Readon Smith and Mary Nicholls: Winners - Lynda Lloyd and Shirley O'Donovan, nett 78; runners-up - Claire Herbert and Julie Morgan, nett 78.5

April 7-10: Rose Bowl Par: Winner - Jan Tattersall, -1; runner-up - Barbara Watkins -3 (over back 9).

April 14-17: GVW Challenge Bowls and GVW Medal: Silver winner - Jan Robertson, nett 83; Bronze winner - Barbara Watkins, nett 83; GVW medal - Jan Robertson, nett 83.

April 21-24: Rabbits and Tigers: Winners - Carole Bumford and Hilary West, nett 83½; runners-up - Glynis Gould and Jo Hopkins, nett 84.

May 15: Bob Hope Rose Bowls and GVW Medal: Winner - Lynn Bubbins (silver), nett 80; winner - Claire Herbert (bronze), nett 79; winner GVW medal - Claire Herbert, nett 79.



Glynis Gould, home winner with Lady Captain Jo Kirkpatrick.



Left to right: Val Weir, Gwen Mair Griffiths and June Sanderson greeting the visitors.



Away winner Sally Kennedy.



Maureen Anderson, away winner.



Robbie Lee, home runner-up

Team GB boxer gets a little help from friends

STAFF at Barry-headquartered Harris Pye have donated almost £1,400 to pay for the training kit of Barry's Team GB boxer Andrew Selby.

The flyweight champion is friends with Harris Pye trainee manager Nathan O'Brien. When he heard that Selby had won a place on the Team GB 2012 team, his colleagues Daryn Letton and Andrew Speed, based in Bahrain, donated 1,000 Dirhams from their own wages to help him purchase training kit.

Group managing director Mark Prendergast matched their support with a further £1,000 donation from the company.

Andrew is ranked number two in AIBA's world rankings, and has one of the most impressive medal collections in the GB boxing squad.

He won bronze medals at the 2008 and 2010 European Championships, and made history in June 2011 by becoming the first Welshman for 86 years to win the final and become European Champion.

By October 2011, Andrew had reached the World Championship final, but was narrowly defeated 13-12 by Russian Misha Aloyan. Many observers felt that Andrew should have been given the title.

Nathan O'Brien commented: "Although Andrew [Speed] and I live and work a long way away from Barry now, we're still in-touch with all our friends, like Andrew Selby, and we're immensely proud of him."

"He's a truly great boxer, and totally deserves to be in Team GB. We'll be following all his Olympic fights, and we're proud to have been able to help him with his training kit costs."



Barry's Andrew Selby has received a helping hand from Barry-based business Harris Pye towards his London 2012 training costs.

Local team wants young footballers

BARRY CELTS AFC are looking for further players to join two established teams ready for the under-13s next season after a very enjoyable and successful first season at under-12 age group.

Players should be

going into year-8 in September to qualify.

The club is also seeking players to join its under-12 team for next season when they progress to full 11-a-side football. Players should be going into year-7 to qualify.

All coaches are at least FAW level-1 qualified and the club has accreditation with the governing body.

The club aims to provide a fun and fair base for all players to enjoy playing football and to get an equal opportunity on the field.

Registration for teams to play next season is in June, and registering players is at the end of July, so if you are interested and want further information on training days then contact Martin Bradshaw on 07900 327860.

First-ever trophy for Penarth lifeguards



ABOVE: Lifeguard team members Aneurin Campbell, Tobias Pleace, Katie Jenkins and Sarah Buck (back row), with Owen Newton receiving the team's trophy from competition organiser Jon Leat.

LIFEGUARDS at Penarth Leisure Centre have been putting their skills to the test in a competition involving lifeguards from across south Wales.

Eight teams entered the contest, and the Penarth squad came third, excelling in the rowing event, group scenario and torpedo relay.

Team manager Owen Newton said: "This is only our second year of competing and we have won our first trophy. Next year we'll be looking to win

the whole competition!"

Centres in Barry and Llantwit Major are also running 'rookies lifeguards' classes this half term where youngsters can learn about the importance of water safety and pick up some vital lifesaving skills, while swimmers aged 12 and above can enroll on the new 'Survive and Swim' classes in Penarth that are the next step on from 'rookies'.

To find out more, call the leisure centres on 01446 403000, or go to: www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk/leisurecentres.

ADAM AND EMMA STAR IN BIG WIN

SULLY 4th XI registered their first win of the season by defeating Pontypridd at Rhose.

Batting first Sully had reached 19 when Terry Sylvester was bowled for 7. This brought Josh Bryan and Peter Barnett together and they put on 40 for the 2nd wicket, when Barney was bowled by Evans for 19.

Thirteen runs later Josh fell for a well made 33, a second victim for Evans. Enter Adam Gilliatt, who survived a couple of early scares before settling down into a groove that brought him his first ever 50.

Not to be content with this he continued to enjoy himself, eventually achieving a century before running out of partners with 103 runs to his name and the score on 211 all out.

The best of the later batsmen was Paul Harrison, who hit 17. The Pontypridd star was

Evans who picked up 5 for 29.

The visitors' innings had reached 20 when 14 year old Emma Davies picked up her first senior wicket when she bowled G McCain for 10.

Emma continued to bowl well and picked up the wicket of Thomas (4) before Josh Bryan dismissed R McCain (24) and Evans (1) to keep the pressure on the Pontypridd batsmen.

Adam Gilliatt followed up his heroics with the bat by bagging 2 wickets and at one stage was on a hat trick. The return of Emma Davies saw another wicket fall and she finished with 3 for 23 off 9 overs - not a bad debut!

Skipper Mick Fisher took the final wicket and it was only fitting that it should come via a catch from man-of-the-match Gilliatt as Pontypridd finished 92 runs short on 119 all out.

Sully 211 all out Pontypridd 119 all out. MF

Skating club enters its first competition at Newbury with success



PICTURED: Hannah John, Lara Goodwin, Medi Weston, Phoebe Escott, Kaitlin Daly, Katie Vaughan, Bethan Daly, and Michael Vaughan.

THE Glamorgan Artistic Roller Skating Club entered its first competition at Newbury recently.

Eight skaters, two were only eight years old, competed in six of the 24 competitions on the day. The skaters did extremely well in gaining two silver medals and a fourth, fifth and sixth placings.

Lara Goodwin and Phoebe Escott won silver medals, with Kaitlin Daly taking fourth.

In a team event, Lara, Kaitlin and Phoebe took fifth place. Medi Weston

and Hannah John each placed sixth in their events, and Bethan Daly, Katie Vaughan and Michael Vaughan also competed and did well.

A club spokeswoman said: "All the skaters did extremely well and comments were made about their neat footwork and lovely club costumes in black and turquoise."

"We now look forward to our own first club competition on July 7 at Llantwit Major Leisure Centre. Trophies have been kindly donated by both local businesses and private individuals."

WRU 'little stars' courses set for the Vale to 'teach with fun'

CHILDREN as young as three can now enjoy a fun introduction to rugby by signing up for the Welsh Rugby Union's 'Little Stars' courses which are being held in Barry, Cowbridge and Penarth.

Giving youngsters a great start in sport, the new courses focus on the fundamental skills of rugby such as catching, throwing, agility, balance and co-ordination, and everything is taught in a really fun way.

The sessions are held for two different age groups, and for the youngest children (three-four), the sessions are themed with plenty of varied games being played.

For the older kids (five-seven), naturally, a bit more rugby is intro-

duced so that the youngsters can develop their skills and gain more of an understanding of the game.

WRU coach Sophie Wilkinson, who runs the sessions in the Vale, said: "Little Stars is a new exciting way to introduce rugby."

"There is parent involvement in the younger class too, so be prepared!"

"Youngsters are able to join mini rugby clubs once they are six years old, so the older sessions are therefore a bit more advanced, with a bit of tag rugby being played and more of a focus on fundamental rugby skills."

The courses can be found at: St Richard Gwyn Catholic High School in Barry: Mondays, 4pm-5pm for ages three-four, and 5pm-6pm for ages five-seven.

Penarth Leisure

Centre: Tuesdays, 4pm-5pm (three-four), and 5pm-6pm (five-seven).

Cowbridge Leisure Centre: Fridays, 4pm-5pm (three-four), and 5pm-6pm (five-seven).

The courses run in six-week blocks during each school term, and cost £30. The next block of courses start from Monday June 11, and all places have to be booked in advance by going online at:

http://camps.wru.co.uk. If you have any queries please call Sophie Wilkinson on 07725 200634.



Children as young as three can learn the basic skills of rugby with 'Little Stars'.

ChipsAway

Professional quality repairs at a fraction of bodyshop costs

- ✓Quick ✓Convenient ✓Fully guaranteed
- Paintwork Scratches
- Bumper Scuffs • Alloy Wheels

To arrange a free no obligation estimate call

Paul Jarvis 07904 840202

Alternatively, call

0800 028 7878

or visit

www.chipsaway.co.uk



Wins for two local trainers

LLANCARFAN'S Evan Williams and **ABERTHIN'S** Tim Vaughan both saddled winners at different meetings last Wednesday.

Evan was successful with *Battlecat* at Newton Abbot, and Tim won with *Whatshallwedo* and *Solaris Exhibition* at Sedgefield.

Battlecat was ridden by Adam Wedge and both Tim's winners were partnered by Richard Johnson.

BRIAN LEE

LANDOW van centre

- Van Sales-Spares-Repairs
- Van MOT Preparation
- Vehicle Recovery-Collection and Delivery

Tel: 01446 793550 or 793540

Mobile: 07810 350433

Llandow Trading Estate, CF71 7PB

EXHAUSTS • TYRES • BATTERIES • 4x4 TYRES • SHOCKS • BRAKES • MOT'S • DISCS • SERVICING

SPRING IN TO YOUR CAR!

IS YOUR CAR READY FOR THOSE DAYS OUT WITH THE FAMILY?



FREE SPRING TYRE SAFETY CHECK

PREMIUM BRIDGESTONE SPECIALS

Size / Make	Buy 1	Buy 2	Buy 4
195/65 VR 15 Bridgestone ER300	£71.00	£139	£270
205/55 VR 16 Bridgestone ER300	£73.95	£145	£280
225/45 VR 17 Bridgestone S001	£107.95	£210	£410
225/40 VR 18 Bridgestone REOSBUL	£131.00	£255	£499



EXHAUSTS total

To fit Ford Ka 1.3 (02-06) 154-123 **ONLY £39.95**

BATTERIES

With 4 YEAR WARRANTY UK063E **ONLY £43.95**

GOODYEAR SPECIALS

RunOnFlat Tyres

195/55 HR 16 Excellence **£113.95**
245/40 VR 18 NCT 5 **£224.95**



SPECIAL OFFER MOT/SERVICE

(INTERIM SERVICE) **FROM ONLY £99.00**

STANDARD TYRES from **£31.00**

165/70TR13 FROM ONLY **£31.00**
175/70TR14 FROM ONLY **£38.95**
175/65TR14 FROM ONLY **£34.95**

PERFORMANCE TYRES from **£39.50**

185/60HR14 FROM ONLY **£39.50**
185/65HR15 FROM ONLY **£39.95**
195/65HR15 FROM ONLY **£39.95**

HIGH PERFORMANCE TYRES from **£41.50**

185/55VR15 FROM ONLY **£41.50**
195/65VR15 FROM ONLY **£43.95**
205/55VR16 FROM ONLY **£49.95**

ULTRA HIGH PERFORMANCE TYRES from **£49.95**

205/55WR16 FROM ONLY **£49.95**
225/45WR17 FROM ONLY **£54.95**
225/40WR18 FROM ONLY **£56.95**

IF YOUR TYRE SIZE IS NOT SHOWN PLEASE CALL FOR A QUOTATION. ALL INCLUSIVE PRICES WITH NO HIDDEN EXTRAS!



BARRY

Cardiff Road, Cadouxon
Barry CF63 2QW

01446 733167



CARDIFF

271 Penarth Road
Cardiff CF11 8TT

029 20 382644



ETB

A family run business for over 30 years.

WE WILL NOT BE BEATEN ON PRICE!



WE ARE OPEN: MONDAY - FRIDAY 8.00am - 5.30pm, SATURDAYS 8.00am - 4.00pm.

OUR PRICES ARE ALL INCLUSIVE - NO HIDDEN EXTRAS! ALL MAJOR CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED.



PW Millar



Great Selection • Top Quality • Best Prices • Special Deals

11 11 Focus 1.6 TDCi Sport

£10,795



5-dr, sat nav, bluetooth,
park assist, choice

11 60 Fiesta 1.6 TDCi Zetec

£8,995



3-dr, alloys, air con, cd

10 10 Clio Dynamique 1.2TCE

£6,995



5-dr, TomTom

11 60 Fiesta 1.6 TDCi Econetic

£8,995



Air con, vision blue

09 59 C-Max 1.6 Zetec

£7,495



Alloys, air con, sea grey

12 12 Fiesta 1.2 Style

£8,495



Remote locking, elec windows,
delivery miles

KA

12 12 KA Zetec, air con, alloys, delivery miles	£8695
12 12 KA Edge, air con, delivery miles only	£6995
09 09 KA Zetec 1.3 TDCi, alloys, aircon, blush	£6995

FIESTA

12 12 Fiesta Zetec 1.25 82ps 3-dr, b/tooth privacy	£10195
12 12 Fiesta Edge 1.25 60ps 3-dr, air con, frozen white	£8995
12 12 Fiesta Style 1.25 60ps 3-dr, frozen white	£8495
11 11 Fiesta Titanium 1.4 TDCi 5-dr, pantha black	£10495
11 60 Fiesta 1.6 TDCi Econetic, Vision blue	£8995
11 60 Fiesta Zetec 1.4 TDCi 5-dr, Vision, 43,000 miles	£8995
11 60 Fiesta Zetec 1.6 TDCi 3-dr, moon dust	£8295
11 60 Fiesta Edge 1.4 TDCi 3-dr, midnight sky	£8295
10 60 Fiesta Zetec 1.4 TDCi 3-dr, pantha black	£8995
10 60 Fiesta 1.4 TDCi Zetec 5-dr, Vision, blue	£8695
10 60 Fiesta Edge 1.25 60ps 5-dr, pantha black	£7295
10 59 Fiesta Edge 1.25 60ps 3-dr, vision blue	£6995
09 59 Fiesta 1.6 TDCi Zetec, Bluetooth, Morello	£7995
09 59 Fiesta 1.4 TDCi Zetec 5-dr, SPA	£7495
09 09 Fiesta Zetec S 1.6, street pack, bluetooth	£7995
09 09 Fiesta Titanium 1.4 5-dr, blue	£7495
09 09 Fiesta 1.4 Titanium 5-dr Auto. Hot Magenta	£7995
09 09 Fiesta Style+ 1.4 Automatic 5-dr, choice	£6995
09 09 Fiesta Style 1.2 82ps 3-dr, tango red	£6495
08 08 Fiesta 1.4 TDCi Style Climate	£5295
08 08 Fiesta Style 1.2 3-dr, Tango red	£4495

FUSION

09 09 Fusion 1.4 TDCi Style. Climate, pantha	£6195
08 58 Fusion Plus 1.6 Automatic	£4995

FOCUS

12 12 Focus Zetec 1.0 eco boost 125ps, appearance pack	£13695
11 11 Focus Sport 1.6 TDCi 5-dr, sat nav, privacy, choice	£10695
08 08 Focus 1.8 Zetec 3-dr, sports pack	£6995
09 09 Focus 1.6 Style Estate, Silver	£6495
05 05 Focus 1.6 LX 5-dr, under 40,000 miles, grey	£3495
04 04 Focus 1.6 Ghia 5-dr, tonic blue	£3495

C-MAX

11 11 C-Max Zetec 1.6 5-dr, ink blue	£11995
06 06 C-Max 2.0 Zetec Auto. Tango	£3995
09 59 C-Max 1.6 Zetec 5-dr, Midnight sky	£7,495

MONDEO

12 12 Mondeo Zetec 1.6 Eco Boost 5-dr	£15995
10 10 Mondeo Titanium X 2.0 TDCi 140ps 5-dr, pantha black	£11375
10 10 Mondeo Zetec 2.0 TDCi 5-dr, sports pack	£9995
10 10 Mondeo Zetec 2.0 TDCi 5-dr. Choice	£9495
09 58 Mondeo Edge 2.0 5-dr, alloys	£6,995

KUGA & GALAXY

11 61 Kuga 2.0 TDCi AWD Zetec Black	£17495
11 61 Kuga 2.0 TDCi 2WD Zetec White	£16495
11 11 Kuga Zetec 2WD, appearance pack	£15695

TRANSIT

08 08 Transit T350 LWB H/roof 2.4 TDCi, rwd	£7995 + VAT
08 08 Transit T260 SWB M/roof 2.2 TDCi	£5495 + VAT

OTHERS

08 58 Citroen C3 1.6 HDi Exclusive 5-dr, silver	£5995
08 57 Chevrolet Matiz 1.0SE, bright yellow, low miles	£2995
09 09 Fiat 500 1.2 Pop. Air con	£5995
08 58 Fiat 500 Sport M-Jet 1.3 Diesel	£7695
06 55 Fiat Punto 1.2 Active 3-dr. Black	£2195
10 59 Hyundai i30 1.4 Classic 5-dr	£5795
09 09 Hyundai Santa Fe 2.2 CSI CRTD 7-seats	£13995
08 08 Kia Ceed 1.6 LS 5-dr. Black	£5495
09 59 Mercedes A150 Classic SE, blue efficiency	£6995
06 56 Mercedes E320 CDI Avantgarde Auto, Command, host of extras	£10995
08 58 Nissan Micra 1.4 Tekna 5-dr	£5995
10 10 Peugeot 107 1.0 Urban 5-dr	£5995
08 58 Peugeot 308 1.4 S 5-dr	£5995
06 56 Range Rover 3.0 TDG Vogue SE, lots of extras	£20995
10 10 Renault Clio 1.2 TCE Dynamique 5-dr Tom Tom	£6995
10 10 Renault Clio 1.2 Dynamique Tom Tom 3-dr B/Tooth	£6495
08 08 Renault Clio 197 Sport, Silver	£7495
07 07 Renault Clio 1.4 Priv 5-dr, grey metallic	£4495
09 59 Toyota Aygo 1.0 Blue 5-dr, cayman blue	£5795
10 10 Vauxhall Corsa 1.2SE 3-dr, black, 7000 miles	£6995
08 08 Vauxhall Zafira 1.9 CDTi Exclusive, auto	£6995
08 58 Volvo C30 R-Design 2.4 Diesel, auto	£10495
11 11 VW Caddy C20+ Van, choice	£8995+VAT
10 60 VW Golf 1.6 TDi S 5-dr, canyon red	£11795
09 09 VW Golf 2.0 TDi 5-dr, air con, blue	£9995

10 10 Mondeo Titanium 2.0 TDCi

£11,375



5-dr, half leather, climate,
heated seats

08 08 Transit T280

£5,495+VAT



SWB, M/Roof

10 60 VW Golf 1.6 TDiS 5-dr

£11,795



Air con, canyon red

08 58 Fiat 500 Sport M-Jet 1.3

£7,695



Diesel, Abarth styling

09 09 Nissan Note 1.4 Accenta

£6,495



Alloys, air con, cd

09 09 Nissan Qashqai 1.6 Accenta

£9,495



Alloys, air con, cd

Visit our website www.pwmillar.co.uk

PORT ROAD EAST, BARRY CF62 9PZ
Tel 01446 733248

OPENING TIMES:
MON-FRI 9-6.30,
SAT 9-5, SUN 10.30-5

MOTORING with TIM SAUNDERS**308 bridges gap between estate and people carrier**

YOU don't want a people carrier and prefer an estate, yet need more seats and practicality?

Then the new Peugeot 308SW might just be of interest. With its third row of seats it can transport seven people in comfort. When there aren't that many passengers, the capacious boot will fit most loads.

A wise use of space makes for great versatility in a car that could also be considered a bit of a sports utility vehicle, without that extra ride height of course.

Inside, you get treated to a panoramic glass roof that pretty much stretches the length of the vehicle. This makes the cabin feel light, airy and spacious.

If shade from the sun is required then an electric blind cures the problem. Rear passengers get privacy glass and door-mounted blinds as well as neat folding trays on the back of the seats.

Comfort and practicality are provided by the leather seats and the driver benefits from theirs being electrically adjustable.

The centre armrest is also adjustable, which is appreciated on long journeys as is the foot rest



ABOVE: THE PEUGEOT 308SW.

for the driver's left foot.

You can't fault the driving position and the responsive 1.6-litre diesel engine is frugal, helped by the smooth and quiet automatic stop start.

I like the traditional handbrake, which I always feel gives the driver much more control than a single switch that so many manufacturers seem to prefer to use these days.

Its six-speed box is decisive if a little clunky and noisy when selecting a gear, but then this adds to the car's character.

Cruise control only operates in fourth gear and above, which means you can't use this function at lower speeds.

Externally the new

308 has received an injection of modernity at its front, giving greater impact (compared to the original model). The test car was finished in white and this added to the overall appeal.

Wing mirrors reminiscent of droopy dog's ears, automatically fold when the car is locked.

Parkers, the car experts, say: "The 308SW may look like an ordinary family estate, but it has a trick up its sleeve that makes it one of a kind - an extra row of seats in the back."

"While there are plenty of people carriers and 4x4s able to transport seven passengers there are few manufacturers that offer so many seats in a vehicle of this size,

so the 308SW has obvious attractions.

"As a result, it's a great family car. It's not exciting to drive but with a well-finished cabin and smooth ride, it's a comfortable and safe choice."

The 308 SW has quickly become a member of the family, like your favourite pet, and it is certainly a good alternative to a people mover.

Peugeot 308SW - New price range: £16,115-£22,230.

Allure model: 1.6-litre; 0-60mph: 11.5secs; Top speed: 118mph; Power: 112bhp; Economy: 61mpg; Road tax: £0.

Watch the video at www.testdrives.biz.

SCORPIONS IN TEAM OF THE MONTH

TWO South Wales Scorpions stars, Kevin James and Nathan Mossop, have been named in the Co-operative Championship 1 team of the month for May.

Voted for by the Championship 1 club head coaches, the team was announced in Rugby League World magazine that was released last Friday.

James was selected for the mythical line-up after scoring a try a game in his first three games of professional Rugby League.

The former Neath RFC favourite has been on top form since his recent conversion to the 13-man game and his strength at centre, alongside fellow convert

Tom Morgan, has been an inspiration to the Scorpions.

Mossop has been as solid as ever at hooker, scoring a hat-trick of tries in Scorpions' 32-30 win over Rochdale last month.

Steve Parry, another of the Scorpions' stand-outs throughout May, was unlucky not to make the line-up, coming in second in the scrum-half rankings to Barrow's Liam Campbell, who ended up with the player of the month award for May.

Scorpions' coach Dave Clark said:

"I'm delighted that two of our players have been chosen in the Team of the Month.

Rhose FC under-11s are seeking players

RHOSE FC under-11s are currently on the look-out for new players to join its "friendly team" for the forthcoming season.

Any player under 11 years of age before September 1, 2012, and is currently a year-5 pupil, is welcome to attend a training session on Friday evenings, 6pm-7pm, at Rhose Recreation Ground (Ceri Road).

For more information contact Paul on 01446 719106.

Football camps

YOUNG footballers in the Vale can get ready for Euro 2012 by improving their skills on two special football coaching camps that are being held during half term.

Budding Joe Harts can pick up tips between the sticks on a two-day 'No 1 Goalkeeper Camp' on June 4-5 at Parc Bryn-y-Don in Dinas Powys.

The coaching will take place between 9am and 1pm each day and will cover all aspects of goal-keeping. The camp costs £25 for two days, or £15 for an individual day.

Alternatively, if you would like to finish like Van Persie or Ronaldo, then a three day 'No 9 Goalscorer Camp' will teach you about forward play and help you hit the back of the net in style. Qualified coaches will be running the camp between June 6-8, also at Parc Bryn-y-Don in Dinas Powys.

Each day runs from 9am to 1pm, and the camp costs £30 for three days, or £12.50 for each individual day.

To book your child's place on any of the sessions, or to find out more, please call Andy Davies on 07413 360504.

For further ideas of how you can spend an active half term, visit www.valeofglamorgan.gov.uk or follow @vale-sportsnews on Twitter.

CAR HIRE FROM £38 PER DAY!

- Ford Fiesta
- Ford Focus
- Ford Focus Estate
- Ford S-Max
- 6 seat VW Transporter
- Mercedes/Renault 9 seat minibuses



OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK

WICK (01656) 660160
car & van hire

Full details available on our website:
www.wickvanhire.co.uk

A.B SERVICE CENTRE
A Better service at a Better price



MOT's £20

4 Wheel Laser Alignment from £15

Servicing from	£69.00
Diagnostic from	£39.95
Radio Decodes	£14.99
Service Valets from	£20.00
Full Valets from	£40.00
Key Programming	
DPF Problems	
ECU Repairs	
Gear Box repairs	
Air Bag Faults	
Brakes and ABS	
All Repair work undertaken	

Tyres from £17.95

CAR REMAPPING £179.00
Save £££s on Fuel Economy and Increase Performance

Full Car Servicing from £100 + VAT

Cardiff Road, Barry, Vale of Glamorgan CF63 2NW
www.abcservicecentre.co.uk
Tel. 01446 735561

WE ARE OPEN
Monday - Friday 8.30 - 5.30
Saturday 8.30 - 13.00

All major credit cards accepted



PERMOVEO

EURO SPECIALISTS

FREEPHONE
0800 033 7807
 Monday to Friday 8:30 to 18:00
 Saturday 9:30 to 14:30

5 & 10 Woodham Road
 Barry Docks CF63 4JE
01446 732 272
 www.permoveo.ltd.uk

It's not the way you're used to
 having your car serviced
IT'S BETTER

Included with our Servicing:

Fully OFT Approved Garage & Trained Technicians
Complete Manufacturer Specification Service Check
 Up to 400 checks performed plus extra 50 point. Permoveo check is, we don't believe a quick oil change is a real service! Our services really are the most comprehensive you'll find. *If you want best for your car then try us!*

Full AirCon Check & Gas Top-up
AirCon Antibacterial Service - Removes Odors
High Quality Oil & Quality Parts

Authorised or Main Dealer Parts only! *Mobil 1, Castrol or Shell oil!* We don't cut corners by using cheap parts or oils!

Full Advanced Main Dealer Diagnostic

We have Porsche, BMW, Mercedes & Jaguar manufacturer diagnostics on site. We don't rely on an aftermarket tool or outsource diagnostics like other run of the mill garages. Our Diagnostic customers includes Main Dealers and the UK's largest car supermarkets! **NO OTHER INDEPENDENT CAN MATCH THAT!**

Free Courtesy Car or Drop Off & Collection
Luxury Lexus and Mercedes models available Free!

Or we'll be happy to collect and drop off your vehicle anywhere in South East Wales, from Bridgend to Chepstow!

Full Valet - Including Full Wax Treatment

Laser Wheel Alignment & Tracking

Free Fluid Checks including Topups for 12 months

After we service your vehicle you can pop in anytime to get a free fluid check and free fluid top up. Includes oils, screenwash, and antifreeze (same date)

The Largest OFT Approved Independent BMW Merc Jag & Porsche Specialist in the Vale of Glamorgan

Customers choose us because we provide a very different experience to what you might consider the garage norm. Our aim is to deliver a competitive dealer alternative, no half-truths just the simple honest facts. Imagine a garage that wants to know your name, a garage that delivers a professional experience, employs staff of the highest calibre, can take the time to discuss the problem you're having with your vehicle, talk to you in a manner you can understand and above all treat you with respect without being condescending. **Then you're imagining us!**

Main dealers and other garages use our services because we're able to offer in-depth diagnostic services beyond what they can do in-house. Our electronics testing and ecu lab sets us apart from nearly everyone else. Quite simply we're able to offer you the very best in diagnostics and deliver cutting edge services that most other garages cannot. With the skills and the technical abilities to service and maintain everything from 40 year old Jaguars, cutting edge Porsche's to the latest BMW models we really are the affordable dealer alternative.

The truth is we specialise in vehicle diagnostics and maintenance. Our staff are not jacks of all trades: for example the panel beater only does panel beating; and the valet does the car washing neither does diagnostics which they would have no knowledge of.

**Our customers include local and national
 Main Dealers including Ferrari, Ford,
 Citroen, Jaguar, Mercedes and South Wales'
 largest Used Car Supermarkets!**

Alloy Wheel Refurbishment

Ask about our new alloy wheel service.
 Depending on finish and condition

Prices from £30 per wheel



We employ ATA registered technicians

You know you're OK with ATA



**MOTOR INDUSTRY
 CODE OF PRACTICE**

Service and Repair



Approved code

- ✓ Servicing
- ✓ Dealer Diagnostics
- ✓ ECU Repairs
- ✓ MOT Testing
- ✓ DPF Problems
- ✓ Brakes & ABS
- ✓ Transmission Servicing
- ✓ Air-Con Repairs
- ✓ Engine & Mechanical
- ✓ Keys & Key Repairs
- ✓ Warranty Claims
- ✓ Tyres & Tyre Repairs
- ✓ Laser Wheel Alignment
- ✓ Performance Tuning
- ✓ Body & Accident Repairs
- ✓ Alloy Wheel Refurbs
- ✓ High Quality Valeting
- ✓ Injector Servicing
- ✓ Former Dealer Staff
- ✓ Free Courtesy Car or Collection & Drop Off



10 AUDI A5 2.0 TDi S-Line Convertible
in white with black leather. 4-seater diesel
£24,995



05 VAUXHALL Tigra 1.3 CDTi Sport
Ice Blue, 65,000 Mile Diesel Convertible
£4,995



56 BMW 330 DSE 3.0 Coupe
Cream leather, Montego blue, 1 owner
£9,995



51 MERCEDES SLK 200 Auto
in silver with black leather, 56,000 mile convertible at
£4,995



03 SMART City Pulse Auto
in black, low running costs + £30 road tax
£2,995



05 TOYOTA Celica 1.8 Premium
In black, with black leather, 2 owners
£4,995



03 PORSCHE Cayenne 4.5S Auto
In silver/black leather, 43,000 miles
£14,995



55 RENAULT Clio 1.6 Dynamique S
In burnt orange, air con, 59,000 miles
£3,995



06 JAGUAR XK (New model)
Black with cream leather, 50,000 miles
£19,995

SPORT, PRESTIGE & 4x4

- 10 AUDI A5 2.0 TDi S-Line Convertible.** White with black leather, 19,000 miles 4-seater diesel A5 **£24,995**
06 JAGUAR XK (new model) Black with cream leather, 50,000 miles **£19,995**
09 AUDI TT 2.0 TDi Quattro in white with black leather, 25,000 mile diesel at **£18,995**
03 PORSCHE Cayenne 4.5S Auto. Silver/black leather, 43,000 miles, sat nav, 22" alloys **£14,995**
07 BMW 120D M-Sport. Met black with cream, 64,000 mile diesel at **£12,495**
08 VW Golf 2.0 Diesel GTi Sport TDi Auto 5-dr. In black, 64,000 miles, superb diesel at **£9,995**
07 VW Golf 2.0 TDi (170) 5-dr. In black, 50,000 mile diesel at **£8,995**
08 NISSAN Qashqai Tekna 2.0 Auto. In met blue with black leather, heated seats, panoramic roof, sat nav, sat nav, rear reversing camera, bluetooth **£7,995**
05 MITSUBISHI Warrior LWB Double Cab Pick-Up. Diesel, black, lockable galvanised load cover **£5,995**
04 MERCEDES C200 Kompressor Avantgarde Auto. In black with leather, 67,000 miles, 1 owner **£5,995**
04 NISSAN X-Trail 2.2 DCi SR 6-Spd. In bright met blue, 75,000 miles, diesel 4x4 **£5,995**
54 MERCEDES 220 CDI Avantgarde Estate Auto in black with black leather **£4,995**
02 AUDI TT (180). In red with black leather, 87,000 miles, superb example **£5,495**
05 TOYOTA Celica 1.8 Premium In black with black leather, 78,000 miles, 2 owners **£4,995**
05 VAUXHALL Tigra 1.3 CDTi Sport. In ice blue, 65,000 mile diesel convertible **£4,995**
03 MINI Cooper Automatic. In velvet red with black roof, chilli pack, 70,000 miles **£4,995**
51 MERCEDES SLK 200 Auto. In silver with black leather, 56,000 mile convertible at **£4,995**
01 MERCEDES ML 430 Auto. In silver with black leather, 68,000 miles, LPG gas conversion **£4,495**
56 VAUXHALL Astra 1.8 SRi Coupe. In black, 63,000 miles **£4,995**
04 LAND ROVER Freelander 1.8 XEi 5-dr. In silver, 63,000 miles, 4x4 at **£4,695**
54 JAGUAR X-Type 2.1 Auto Estate in blue, 73,000 miles. Practical, stylish motoring **£4,495**
53 SMART Convertible Passion Auto. Met blue/silver, limited edition model **£3,295**
01 TOYOTA RAV4 1.8 VVTi 3-dr in silver, 95,000 miles, alloys, a/c, etc **£2,995**

SMALL, ECONOMICAL & FAMILY CARS

- 55 TOYOTA Corolla CLR 2.0 Diesel 5-dr.** In platinum metallic, 62,000 miles **£5,995**
58 FORD Fiesta 1.2 Zetec Climate 5-dr. In met apple green, 32,000 miles **£5,695**
58 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.2 Active Auto 3-dr in black, 48,000 miles with a/c, etc **£5,495**

- 08 CITROEN C1 Rhythm 5-dr** in red. 48,000 miles. £20 road tax, low insurance **£4,995**
57 RENAULT Laguna (new shape) 2.0 Expression 5-dr in met grey, 34,000 miles. Looks and drives superb **£4,995**
07 VAUXHALL Corsa 1.4 SXi 3-dr. In black, 63,000 miles, air con **£4,995**
59 CHEVROLET Aveo 12LS 5-dr. In silver, 21,000 mile hatch at **£4,995**
56 VAUXHALL Astra 1.6 SXi In silver lightning, 55,000 miles, stylish coupe at **£4,995**
55 FORD C-Max 2.0 Ghia Auto. In met grey, 71,000 miles, fantastic value at **£4,995**
57 SKODA Fabia 2 1.4 5-dr. In black, 60,000 miles with air con, cd, alloys **£4,795**
07 FORD Fiesta 1.2 Style Climate 3-dr. In met purple, 37,000 mile local car at **£4,695**
07 RENAULT Clio 1.4 Dynamique (new shape) 3-dr. In black, 75,000 miles, 2 owners **£4,495**
55 VAUXHALL Astra 1.9 CDI Elite 120 5-dr. In met blue with black leather, 62,000 miles, diesel **£4,495**
06 RENAULT Clio 1.4 Privilege 5-dr. In red, 44,000 miles, high specification **£4,495**
06 FORD Fiesta 1.4 Zetec Climate 5-dr. In met silver, alloys, air con etc. **£4,495**
55 PEUGEOT 307 1.6 SE 5-dr in electric blue, 58,000 mile family hatch **£3,995**
54 MAZDA 6 2.0 Diesel TS2 Estate. In silver, 80,000 miles, 2 owners **£3,995**
55 RENAULT Megane 1.6 Dynamique 5-dr Auto. In silver, 42,000 miles, excellent example **£3,695**
04 TOYOTA Avenis 1.8 T3 S 5-dr. In met grey, 71,000 miles with air con, alloys, CD **£3,695**
55 RENAULT Megane 1.6 Oasis 5-dr in black, 62,000 miles with pan-roof, etc **£3,495**
55 FORD Focus 1.6 LX Auto 5-dr. In blue, fantastic value new shape Focus at **£3,495**
53 FORD Fiesta 1.4 Zetec 5-dr. In platinum, 34,000 miles, very desirable at **£3,295**
07 CHEVROLET Lacetti 1.6 SX 5-dr. In silver, 43,000 miles, FSH **£3,295**
03 MERCEDES A140 Classic. In met blue, 64,000 miles, fantastic value **£2,995**
03 SMART City Pulse Auto. In black, low running costs + £30 road tax **£2,995**
03 FORD Fiesta 1.2 LX 5-dr in black, 46,000 miles. Alloys, c/d, low insurance **£2,995**
52 SMART City Pulse Auto. In red/black, 64,000 miles with pan-roof, air con **£2,995**
51 SMART Passion 600 Auto (Left Hand Drive). In red/silver, 52,000 miles **£2,495**
01 HONDA Stream Se Sport 7-seater in light met green, 85,000 mile estate at **£2,495**
53 VAUXHALL Astra 1.4 LS 5-dr. In met blue, 73,984 miles with air con **£2,195**
01 MAZDA Premacy 1.8 Atlantis. In met-blue, 43,000 mile, local MPV **£1,995**



05 SKODA Fabia 1.2 5-dr
In silver, 60,000 miles
£3,495



04 NISSAN X-Trail 2.2 DCi SR 6-Spd
In bright met blue, 75,000 miles
£5,995



58 FORD Fiesta 1.2 Zetec Climate 5-dr
In Met Apple Green, 32,000 Miles
£5,695



08 MITSUBISHI Colt 1.5 CZT 3-dr
Pearl black. 1 owner, 42,295 miles
£4,995



All cars supplied with new MoT and 6 months RAC warranty.
Just a small selection of our comprehensive range in stock. Visit our website for full details.



Broad Street, Barry (Next to Barry train Station) 01446 722600

FINANCE PACKAGES TO SUIT ALL • 0% DEPOSIT FINANCE AVAILABLE • ALL CARS HPI CLEAR • PART EXCHANGE WELCOME • OPEN 7 DAYS CARS BOUGHT FOR CASH • ALL MAJOR CREDIT CARDS TAKEN



MULTI-PHOTOS AND FULL DESCRIPTION ON WEBSITE
www.garywatsonmotorcompany.co.uk





GEM sport

AFTER ALL THE EMOTION, THE REAL TEST LOOMS FOR WALES

TEN minutes into an emotion-charged farewell to retiring Welsh greats at Cardiff's Millennium Stadium on Saturday, a bright new star burst across the rugby horizon in the slight shape of 19-year-old Harry Robinson, who announced his arrival with a blistering try, racing half the length of the field with not a distinguished Barbarian hand laid on him.

Already hailed as the natural successor to wing wizard Shane Williams (92 caps), who along with the other famous Williams – Martyn (celebrating his 100th cap), was making a final international bow – the fleet-footed, elusive youngster did enough on his debut to justify the fulsome post-match plaudits that came his way.

Caretaker head coach Robert Howley described him as “Wales’ new secret weapon”, adding: “Harry is almost Shane-esque in the excitement he creates when he has the ball in hand”.

The Barbarians’ coach, legendary All Black John Kirwan, who definitely knows a thing or two about wing play, said: “All I could think of was, here we go again! Wales see one wing retire and have another already

BACK PAGE COMMENT by Don John

waiting, to their credit.”

For the animated crowd of 57,022, it was clearly an historic occasion to savour and celebrate – from the moment the teams ran onto the field, led by Shane Williams, who was making his swan-song in the famous black and white hoops of the Baa-Baas invitational side.

Everyone cheered him to the echo; likewise peerless openside Martyn Williams, who finally joined the exclusive 100-club when he came on as a substitute for Wales, underlining the faintly surreal mood of a match in which nothing was ostensibly at stake.

Moreover, most of the first choice Wales team were absent – already in Australia preparing for the first of three much sterner Tests against the Wallabies at Brisbane’s Suncorp Stadium on Saturday.

Nevertheless, it soon became clear that this was not to be the usual sevens-like rugby throw-about in Cardiff and that both teams were approaching it with serious intent.

For the star-studded, multi-racial Baabaas, of course, it was simply a matter of professional pride after being humbled by England and scraping a one-point win over the Irish.

For all but five of the 22 Welsh players, it transpired, the game was a realistic chance to stake their claim for a place in the later Tests Down Under (five players, including in-form Ospreys outside half Dan Biggar, had already been told that they would not be joining the squad in Australia).

For Howley and the rest of the Welsh management, on this occasion the result – rather than performance – was key: “We lost our way in the middle of the game – but we showed character and guts – and winning helps the momentum for Australia,” he said candidly.

His relief was understandable, for after rushing into a 13-0 lead through Robinson’s corner try, converted by James Hook, who also kicked two penalties, the Welsh defence came under sustained and severe pressure. It saw All Black pivot Stephen Donald convert his own try and the Barbarians’ pack twice being denied on the line, resulting in Welsh prop Rhys Gill being shown the yellow card by referee Alain Rolland (he of RWC semi-final infamy!).

Two minutes before the interval, and still ensconced on the Welsh line, the Baa-Baas clawed their way to a 14-13 lead when Blues

scrumhalf Richie Rees darted through the melee for their second try, converted by Donald.

Shortly after the changeover, Hook missed a penalty, but almost immediately made amends to regain a two-point lead, which was promptly wiped out by Donald’s second touchdown on the hour, which he easily converted, to make it 21-16 in Baa-Baas’ favour.

Hook then showed typical vision and flair to bamboozle the defence and convert the try that put Wales once more in the lead at 23-21.

Almost on full-time, inimitable Shane Williams tried to spark a last-ditch attack, but the move broke down as the man wearing his old No11 shirt, Aled Brew, intercepted a stray pass in midfield and jubilantly romped over for a try, again converted by Hook, and a final score of Wales 30, Barbarians 21.

So now all eyes turn to the first Test Down Under this weekend, as the Welsh tourists bid to claim a rare Tri-Nations scalp – or three! – in their own backyard (Scotland pointed the way with their shock 9-6 win on Tuesday).

The task is formidable and history may be against them, but the growing maturity and confidence of this fast-improving young side this time gives real cause for optimism.

One thing for sure is that the whole of Wales will be cheering them on.

Sully Centurions First XI suffer a setback

SULLY Centurions First XI suffered a setback at Pontarddulais when they lost after appearing to be in a strong position.

Batting first, Sully had lost openers Ryan Sylvester (one) and Mike O’Shea (15) with just 24 runs on the board.

Then the wickets of Charlie Lowen, for 13 and Adam Shantry (22) fell, to leave Centurions reeling on 66 for 4.

But Lloyd Smith and Richard Ready took the score along to 135 before Richard was out

for 13, the second victim of former Sully player Jonathan Denning.

Lloyd carried on scoring freely and eventually reached a well deserved century.

However, none of the other Sully batsmen hit any great form and the innings ended on 231 all out – a decent total, but not beyond the hosts.

Denning (4-65) and Thomas (3-37) were the pick of the home bowlers.

In contrast, Pontarddulais raced to

67 before losing Thomas to a Daniel Rowe run out.

Then with no further runs on the board, Rowe took a catch off the bowling of Mike O’Shea to dismiss Herring for 45.

The ship was steadied by Arrowsmith and Carey, who put on 40 for the third wicket and then Arrowsmith enjoyed a stand of 71 with Robert Croft (47 not out) before being bowled by Ready for 56.

Croft and Rhys Thomas put on another 30 runs before Thomas was stumped by Lowen off the bowling of Ryan Sylvester.

With three overs to go Pontarddulais need-

ed 20 runs to win and it was still anybody’s game – they achieved the victory in the final over, knocking Sully off the top spot in the process.

Pontarddulais 234 for 5 Sully 231 all out. MASSIVE WIN FOR SULLY Centurions’ Second XI hosted Pontarddulais at Burnham Avenue and ended registering a huge victory.

Batting first, Sully lost the normally reliable Roger Clitheroe for just 1. Then Shae Ellis and Ben Callow put on 30 for the second wicket, with Shae eventually falling for 23.

Ben Callow and Cameron Sleeth then enjoyed a huge partner-

ship, with Cameron playing his shots and Ben playing the anchor role.

Sleeth hit a wonderful 108 before being caught off the bowling of Fowler. This brought Gareth Davies to the crease and he proceeded to hit a whirlwind 96 not out in only 36 balls. With Callow scoring 90 not out the innings ended on a massive 335 for 3.

But the misery wasn’t over for the young Pontarddulais side as they lost their first three wickets with no runs on the board, thanks to the bowling of Nathan Cuddihy and David Eskins.

But a stand of 68 between Carey and

Bishop gave some hope. Carey (35) Bishop (60) and Fowler (38) scored the majority of the visitors’ runs, however, with Shae Ellis bagging 4 for 26 the innings closed on 150 all out. Dave Eskin picked up 2 for 18 and there was one wicket each for Nathan Cuddihy, Ben Callow and Tom Edwards.

Sully 335 for 3 Pontarddulais 150 all out.

On Sunday, the third Round ECB Kingfisher Beer Cup match against Panteg CC was at the halfway stage when the rains came.

Centurions had recovered from a shaky start to post a competitive total of 240 for 7 at tea. After a delayed restart the Panteg innings was only three overs old when the weather once again intervened.

Unfortunately this time there was no chance of continuing. It is hoped to replay the match this Sunday (June 10).

Visit barry-today.co.uk for **GEM Sports Extra** - rounding up the rest of the sport from around your area

THIRDS CRASH TO DEFEAT AT PONTYPRIDD
The Third XI travelled to Ynysybwl to take on a strong Pontypridd Third XI.

Batting first Centurions lost openers Dave Sylvester (five) and Nick Jones (19) and were thankful to Ben Spear (43) and Dan Thacker, who hit 33, as they accumulated 185 for the loss of 6 wickets. Leshan, with 3 for

22, was the pick of the home bowlers.

Pontypridd stuck to the task in chasing down the target. Edwards hit 58 and with the support of Crexall, with 47 not out, the required runs were reached for the loss of only three wickets. Jones (1-28) Griffith (1-45) and Pavel (1-28) were the Centurion wicket takers.

Pontypridd 186/3 Sully 185/6. MF

VAN HIRE FROM £38 PER DAY!

- Bippers
- Transits
- VW Transporters
- Sprinters
- Jumbo Vans
- Luton Removal
- Vans
- Tipper trucks
- Crew cab drop sides



OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK

WICK (01656) 660160
car & van hire

Full details available on our website:

www.wickvanhire.co.uk



ST ANDREWS MAJOR GOLF CLUB

Coldbrook Road East, Nr Cadoxton, Barry
Vale of Glamorgan, CF63 1BL

Tel: 01446 722227
Fax: 01446 748953

Any Monday or Tuesday in June
Green Fees ONLY £15

Memberships
start from £150

Societies
from £18



12 Bay Driving Range
open to ALL to enjoy!!

Please visit our website for latest offers
www.standrewsmajorgolfclub.com

info@standrewsmajorgolfclub.com



Clubhouse
& Catering
available
for ALL
occasions

Family fun...



- Nine-Hole Golf Course
- Pay & Play
- All-weather flood light driving range
- All equipment available for hire
- Professional Tuition
- Fitness and Leisure . . .
- The Healthy Option!

EXCELLENT VALUE

Weekdays: 9 holes £6.00,
18 holes £9.00

Weekends and bank holidays:

Prices retained

Tel: 01656 647926

We're easy to find - off A48,
opposite Bridgend Ford



Induction or improvement
£16 PER LESSON
£45 for 3
£85 for 6
Why not Book a course?